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Ceylon Surprise

THE Ceylon election results will come as a profound shock to many people. Not only has the electorate rejected most unexpectedly Sir John Kotelawala's moderate and widely esteemed United National party, but the left-wing coalition it has voted to power threatens to cut the Western defence chain stretching from the Middle to the Far East by denying Britain use of the bases at Negombo and Trincomalee. This is not the only shock: The Prime Minister designate says Ceylon will become a republic and he is doubtful of the value of staying in the Commonwealth. He also plans gradually to nationalise foreign-owned plantations, banks and insurance companies. It is to be hoped he does really proceed very carefully with this particular plan for there is a danger that by allowing nationalist fervour to obscure economic realities nothing very beneficial will come of the sweeping reforms proposed.

It would be a good idea if Mr. Bandaranaike conferred with Mr. Nehru first before he made any decision about Ceylon's future relations with the Commonwealth. Full national independence would not in any way be hampered by this association, the advantages of which cannot be too strongly stressed. But perhaps a fellow Asian like Mr. Nehru would have more success in driving home this point than a British cabinet minister or even a Lord Mountbatten.

It is said the language issue played a large part in Mr. Bandaranaike's landslide win. As a result Sinhalese will ultimately replace English as the official language. With this there can be no complaint although minority groups will tend to become even more isolated and their feelings of frustration can be expected to grow. Popular as the language appeal was however the vote reflects a trend that is today apparent throughout Asia. The only hope is that Britain will be as sympathetic to Ceylon's aspirations as it was to Burma's, India's and Pakistan's.

Why Not Hongkong?

THE Duke of Edinburgh is to make a world-wide Commonwealth tour after the Olympic Games in Melbourne at the end of this year. But though he is calling at various South Pacific territories he is not, according to present arrangements, planning to visit Hongkong. Perhaps it is asking a lot of him to make such a big detour, but since he is flying part of the way, could not Buckingham Palace consider allowing him a quick trip north to enjoy a week of Hongkong's cool dry winter weather?

Other Royal visitors, among them the Prince of Wales and the Duchess of Kent, have visited the Colony in past years. For Hongkong, isolated as it is on the Far Eastern perimeter of the Commonwealth circle, these visits serve the important purpose of impressing on our population the concept of the Commonwealth family and the symbol of unity that binds many different countries and people together under the crown.

Living as far as we do from Home it would be unreasonable to ask the Queen to make a special visit here, but when the Duke plans to pass a few thousand miles to the south, it is perhaps not too much to ask such a hardy traveller to consider this oriental interlude. But he should understand that the cool change we offer him will, of course, be offset by the very warmest of welcomes.

# DRAMATIC PROTEST BY B & K

## Dissatisfied With Itinerary Of Visit To Britain

### NOT ENOUGH CONTACT WITH THE PEOPLE Make Public Statement

Moscow, Apr. 8.

Marshal Nikolai Bulganin and Mr. Nikita Khrushchov declared today that there were "some forces" in England which "do not want to permit wider contacts between Soviet leaders and the British people."

In a statement to the official Soviet news agency Tass, they said they had been unable to accept invitations by "hospitable British citizens" on their forthcoming visit to Britain because the programme set out by the British government did not permit it.

### They'll Make A Gold Loan Offer Says Paper

The Sunday Dispatch reported today that the visiting Soviet leaders, Nikolai Bulganin and Nikita Khrushchov, are "likely" to offer Britain a big gold loan. The Dispatch's diplomatic correspondent said it would be "part of a £100,000,000 two-way trade pact." In return, they will ask for a drastic cut in the materials that, for security reasons, are banned from export to Iron Curtain countries, the Dispatch said. It said the Russian leaders also were expected to put forward a new Anglo-Soviet "friendship" pact and otherwise "do their utmost to cash in on the successes Mr. Malenkov has had in his three-week tour of Britain."—United Press.

### REFUGEES DEMONSTRATE

Several hundred refugees and exiles from Communist countries today staged a procession through the main streets of Nottingham to protest against the visit to Britain of Soviet leaders Nikolai Bulganin and Nikita Khrushchov. The demonstrators, many of them wearing their national costumes, came from the Ukraine, Poland, Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania. Premier Bulganin and Communist Party First Secretary Khrushchov are due in London on April 18.—France-Press.

## FRESH OUTRAGES IN CYPRUS

Nicosia, Apr. 8. Security guards opened fire over the heads of Cypriot Greek demonstrators tonight when the demonstrators surrounded the police station of Evrykhou, a suburb of Nicosia.

First official reports said there were no casualties. It was not immediately known what caused the hostile crowd to gather.

A bomb exploded outside a coffee shop at Khorakias village, two miles north of Paphos on the west coast, seriously wounding a Greek Cypriot.

It was not known whether he was the object of the attack. A gunman using a crowd of Sunday-strollers as a shield opened fire on a British army post in Nicosia today.

No one was injured in the brief flurry of shooting, which came as hundreds of Greek and Turkish Cypriots strolled through Metaxas Square in the after-lunch promenade.

The troops in the post promptly trained their Bren guns on the square as the crowds scattered. But the gunman, using the milling crowd as a shield, escaped down a side-street and the Britons did not open fire.

Police and troops cordoned off the square in an effort to track down the gunman, but were apparently too late.

A home-made bomb was thrown at a British army patrol in Famagusta this morning but failed to explode. Two youths believed to have thrown it ran away and managed to elude pursuing security forces.

Two grenades also were hurled at a jeep-load of commandos in Ktima, but only one went off. It damaged the door of a house but caused no casualties.—United Press.

### Called Expatriate Though Never Paid As Such

Singapore, Apr. 9. A China-born Chinese electrical engineer in Singapore's public works department is facing the prospect of dismissal as an "expatriate," the Straits Times reported today. The engineer, Mr. Au Shiu-wei, was recruited in 1954 when the Colony was short of trained men, the paper said. He was "persuaded" to turn down an attractive offer from Hongkong to continue working for the Singapore government, said the Straits Times.

The Malayisation Commission has now recommended that a local officer should immediately be sent abroad for higher qualification to take Mr. Au's place. Mr. Au, in a letter to the Singapore government, Senior officers' Association, discussing his case, said he could not under-

The two leaders said that though Britain had agreed to them extending their stay by two days "the programme still did not include visits to enterprises and institutions in Scotland and Wales and meetings with the population."

The statement said this "arouses regret."

The statement was made only one day after the return to Moscow of Mr. Georgi Malenkov, the former Soviet Premier, from his three-week visit to Britain.

On his return Mr. Malenkov spoke warmly of his meetings with ordinary people, which he said was the "dearest impression" he brought back with him.

It was believed in Moscow that Mr. Malenkov's report on his trip and his tales of being warmly received by ordinary people might well have caused his two seniors to take a stronger line in their demand for personal contact.

Only last Wednesday, the British Ambassador, Sir William Hayter, visited Marshal Bulganin in the Kremlin to hand over the British reply to the Soviet request for a change in the programme.

It had been understood that Marshal Bulganin had accepted the British view that it was too late to make changes now.

### Malenkov's Success

Ten days ago a Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman gave a British reporter details of the programme which were substantially the same as those announced in the House of Commons by Sir Anthony Eden.

This programme was the one "agreed between the two governments," the spokesman said. It was therefore believed that the Soviet leaders decided to press the matter only after they had seen Mr. Malenkov's success.

It had always been expected that Mr. Khrushchov and Marshal Bulganin would try to repeat the success of their tour of India and Burma, which depended largely on being in direct contact with crowds who came to see them.

A British Embassy spokesman declined comment on the Tass statement. But he said there had been no further contact between the British Ambassador and the Soviet Premier since last Wednesday.

What They Want

Arrangements had been made for the Soviet leaders to meet members of the British government and other public figures but, at the same time, they would greatly like to meet ordinary people working in factories and other enterprises "since they consider such meetings as one of the important means of strengthening friendly relations between the British and Soviet people," Tass said.

Many letters have been addressed to Marshal Bulganin, Mr. Khrushchov and Mr. Jacob Malik, the Soviet Ambassador in London, from organisations and private individuals in Britain, inviting them to visit their place of work or their homes.

The Soviet leaders said the basic programme drawn up by British authorities included visits to industrial and agricultural enterprises, including those in Scotland and Wales.

They said British authorities had agreed to their request for a two-day extension of their visit, but the programme will not include visits to factories and institutions in (Cont'd. on back page, Col. 5)

## US TO MAKE IMPORTANT AID OFFER TO THE BAGHDAD PACT COUNTRIES

By DAVID SHEAR

Washington, Apr. 8.

The United States will shortly offer economic and technical aid to the Baghdad pact countries for regional development schemes, authoritative sources said here today.

Mr. Loy Henderson, deputy Under-Secretary of State, will make this proposal at the pact's meeting in Teheran which starts on April 16.

Officials here said this decision had been taken within the last two or three weeks and represented new evidence of the United States desire to support the "northern tier" pact to the fullest extent short of actual membership.

Up to now, United States aid to Middle East countries has been on a bilateral basis and could thus support only national schemes within each country's borders.

The new aid offer to the Baghdad pact group as a whole—its members are Britain, Turkey, Iran, Iraq and Pakistan—would provide support for regional projects, such as irrigation schemes, which straddle national frontiers, but officials stressed that the decision was no more than one in principle at present.—Reuter.

## Failed To Win A Single Seat

Colombo, Apr. 8.

The ruling United National Party failed to win a single seat of the 23 contested in yesterday's second round of the Ceylon general election and tonight had lost all hope of returning to power.

The Party's strength remained at eight which it won in the polling on April 6. Its losses so far total 39.

The Mahajana Eksath Peramuna, led by Mr. W. R. D. Bandaranaike, emerged as the largest single party so far with 42 seats out of the 65 declared.

The Trotskyite Nava Lanka Sama Samaja Party, which took over second place from the ruling party last night, held 11 seats, the Communist Party two, and independents two.

IN COMMAND

The three main opposition parties between them already command 65 out of 95 elective seats—four more than are required to form a government—at the end of the second round of polling.

Folling for the last 30 seats will take place on April 10. Contestants for that day will include the MEP leader, Mr. Bandaranaike, the Trotskyite leader, Dr. N. M. Perera, and the Food and Agriculture Minister, Mr. J. R. Jayawardene.—Reuter.

## EARTHQUAKE

Victoria, B.C., Apr. 8.

A short, sharp earthquake hit Victoria and Southern Vancouver Island this afternoon. It lasted about 20 seconds and shook houses in the British Columbia capital and its suburbs, plus several small communities nearby. There was no immediate report of damage.—United Press.

## PERONISTA PLOT SMASHED

Mendoza, Argentina, Apr. 8.

A Peronista plot to overthrow the Government of provisional President Pedro E. Aramburu has been smashed with the arrest of 116 persons, the Army announced today.

A communique said the conspiracy was thwarted by the roundup last week. It warned, however, that "Peronista cells" may exist elsewhere in the country and said all army troops have been alerted to watch for signs of subversive activities. The Army said that 44 Army men and 72 civilians are being

## MORE COMMANDO RAIDS ON ISRAEL

Jerusalem, Apr. 8.

An Israeli military spokesman said tonight that Egyptian Faddayeen (Commandos) had renewed attacks today in southern Israel.

Jordan infiltrators had also carried out an attack in east Israel, he said.

In the past 24 hours hand grenades had been hurled into two buildings at Sahfar settlement, north of Ashkelon, the scene of yesterday's attacks. One person had been wounded, he said.

At the same time Jordan infiltrators attacked road traffic near Ein Hashofat settlement, north of the Jordan town of Toukareem, wounding an Israeli motor cyclist.

UN DEMAND

United Nations troops headquarters reported tonight that General Burns had demanded that the Egyptian government take steps to halt infiltrators crossing into Israel and carrying out hostile acts.

The demand was made in a communication to Mahmoud Fawzi, the Egyptian Foreign Minister.

A communique by the United Nations Truce Supervision Organisation tonight said teams of United Nations observers had investigated five attacks on Israeli territory last night by "groups of infiltrators."

The communique said the investigations were proceeding.

MOSCOW COMMENT

Moscow Radio said today that the Soviet Union is anxious that peace should be preserved in the Middle East.

The radio declared the countries of the Middle East have themselves "adjusted their differences" if the Western powers had kept out of their affairs.

"But leading Western powers are afraid to lose their colonial privileges there and particularly

Saves Life By Clinging To Stones

Sydney, Apr. 8. A frail 73-year-old woman was saved from drowning by clinging to stones at the side of a 50-foot well which she fell into near her home at Coorabong, New South Wales.

The woman, Mrs. Nellie Piper, held on for 45 minutes until her screams for help were heard and a rope was lowered to her. The water in the well was 12 feet deep.—China Mail Special.

## 16-Inch Snowfalls In Parts Of US

New York, Apr. 8. Winter made a surprise come-back today, dumping up to 16 inches of snow on parts of the north-eastern United States.

New Yorkers hastily put away their spring hats and light clothing when cold winds swept the city and the streets became quickly covered with more than two-and-a-half inches of snow.

The storm, which the weather bureau failed to predict, knocked down power lines and disrupted road and air communications in many areas. The heaviest snowfall was 16 inches registered at Norfolk, Connecticut.

Towns in New York State, New England and Pennsylvania reported from 12 to 15 inches, with the snow still falling.

### PUTS OUT FIRE

A wind-driven forest fire threatened to engulf Raton, New Mexico, today before heavy snowfall brought it under control.

County Sheriff J. W. Jose radioed his office from the scene of the fire that heavy snow and volunteer workers, using donated earth-moving equipment, had brought the blaze under control.

The first April snow in memory fell in Naples tonight, with temperatures dropping to freezing.

Snowstorms raged in wide areas of the Alps and the Apennine mountains.—Reuter and United Press.

## "Corrections" To Be Made

Moscow, Apr. 9. Publication of the 38th volume of the Soviet encyclopedia, which is to include Josef Stalin and his period has been postponed for three months, a well-informed source said yesterday.

The source said there were corrections to be made in certain articles.—France-Press.



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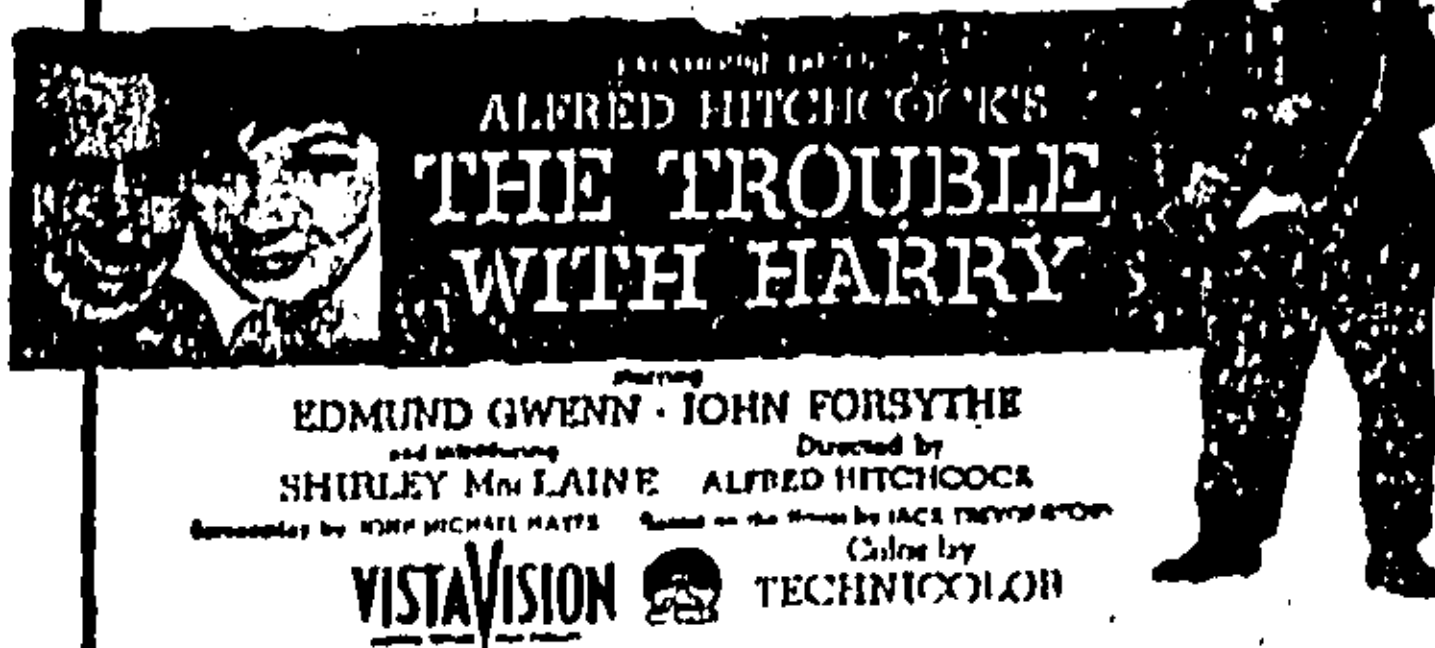
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# STALIN-TRAINED LEADERS SURVIVE IN SATELLITES

Vienna, Apr. 8.

Stalinism is not dead despite the denunciation of Stalin and all his works by Nikita Khrushchev at the 20th congress of the Soviet Communist Party.

This belief has been growing stronger among observers in Central Europe, especially since the appointment of Edward Ochab to be first secretary of the Polish United Workers' (Communist) Party in place of the dead Boleslaw Bierut.

In support of this thesis they pointed out that the men still in charge of all the Soviet satellite lands were all Moscow-trained Communists of the Stalinist school.

Every one of them Matyas Rakosi, Edward Ochab, Walter Ulbricht, Vukko Chervonkov and Gheorghiu Dea was not merely a Stalinist but owed his whole career to Stalin.

## Commissar

Ochab, it was said, was typical of them all. He escaped from Poland to Russia in 1939 and was schooled in Moscow.

He became Political Commissar of the First Polish Army fighting on the Eastern Front. In 1945 he was sent back by Stalin into Poland.

Although only an ordinary member of the Central Committee of the Polish Communist Party then, he rose rapidly mainly owing to Stalin's praise of him as "a good sharp-tongued Bolshevik." By 1950 he was secretary of the Central Committee of the party and a full member of the Politburo.

He was prominent in the campaign against the Church which led to the arrest of Cardinal Wyszynski. It was obvious, observers here said, that he was being groomed specially for the party leadership while Stalin was still alive.

## Personal Favourite

The same was true, it was pointed out, in all the satellite lands. Though Stalin was to be denounced his most outspoken disciples were not.

Thus Matyas Rakosi, first secretary of the Hungarian Workers' (Communist) Party, was another of Stalin's personal favorites. In 1949 he was in prison in Hungary but was exchanged on Stalin's orders for the battle flags the Russians had captured from the Hungarians in 1948.

Rakosi was trained in Moscow to bring Hungary under Stalin's subjection. At the end of the war in 1944 he was sent back into Hungary with the Red Army.

## US ENVOY REPORTS TO WASHINGTON

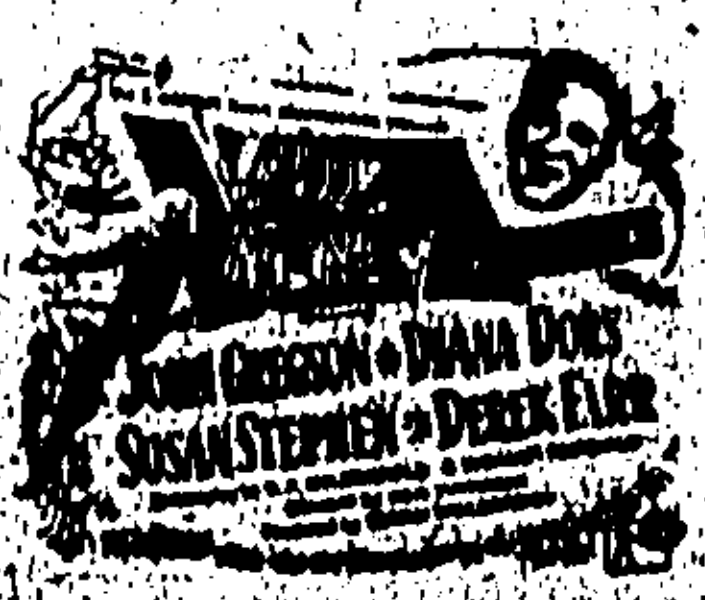
Washington, Apr. 8. Mr Charles E. Bohlen, US Ambassador to Moscow, arrived here today to give foreign policy players his first-hand analysis of the new anti-Stalin movement in Russia.

The veteran diplomat, regarded as the government's foremost authority on the Soviet Union, interrupted a vacation in Austria to fly here for urgent talks with Secretary of State John Foster Dulles and other Administration officials.

Mr Bohlen told a reporter he expects to see Mr Dulles tomorrow but said he did not know whether he would confer with President Eisenhower during his stay here. He is expected to be in the capital for a week to 10 days.

## MAJESTIC

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## Funeral Of Spanish Prince



Leading members of Spain's aristocracy attended the funeral of the Infante Don Alfonso of Bourbon, 14-year-old son of Don Juan, the Spanish Pretender. Don Alfonso was accidentally shot while cleaning a pistol with his elder brother, the Infante Don Juan Carlos, at their home in Estoril, Portugal. Wounded in the head, Don Alfonso died within a few minutes. Picture shows the Pretender, Don Juan, right, standing before the coffin in the cemetery, accompanied by the Infante Don Juan Carlos, who stands in uniform behind his father. Also in attendance may be seen ex-King Umberto of Italy and Colonel Benito de Franco, representative of the Portuguese Chief of State. — Express Photo.

## Bourguiba Elected First Speaker

Tunis, Apr. 8.

Mr Habib Bourguiba, leader of the Tunisian independence movement, was today unanimously elected President (speaker) of the Tunisian Constituent Assembly—the country's first elected parliament.

The Assembly, which will draw up Tunisia's first constitution, was formally opened by the Bey of Tunis, Sidi Lamine, in the throne room of the Palace of Bardo on the outskirts of Tunis.

He was president of the Neo-Destour Party which led the campaign which brought about the end of the French protectorate set up by the treaty of Bardo in 1881 and restored Tunisia's independence.

## New Government

The Tunisian independence declaration was signed in Paris on March 20.

With its new parliament, Tunisia is to get a new government.

The Premier, Tahar ben Ammar, will hand in his resignation to the Bey tonight and present members of his outgoing government at the Bey's palace in Carthage tomorrow morning.

Negotiations on formation of a new government will begin immediately.

## Equality

Mr Bourguiba called on the Assembly to take example from other countries, without copying them, in formulating a constitution which should provide for "continuity of government and stability of institutions."

While Tunisia was an Arab and Islamic country, he said, "equality must be effective among all Tunisian citizens."

He called for Tunisian representation in international organ-

isations and close links with other North African and Mediterranean countries.

The Assembly is expected to ask the Bey to enlarge its powers beyond the drawing up of a constitution, to enable it draw up a budget and control the government.

## Most Part

Mr Ben Ammar has offered to resign so that the government can be formed on a parliamentary basis.

The Bey is expected to call on Mr Bahl Legdham, Neo-Destour Secretary-General and Vice-Premier in the outgoing government, to form the new government.

If not a purely Neo-Destour government, it will be largely composed of members of that party and of the Tunisian General Workers Union, which is Neo-Destour in sympathy. — Reuter.

## NATIONALIST PLANE HIT

Paris, Apr. 8. Chinese Communist anti-aircraft fire hit and damaged a Nationalist Chinese F-84 fighter over Pinghai, Fukien Province, yesterday, the New China news agency reported tonight.

The Nationalist plane, one of a reconnaissance patrol of four of the same type, flew off leaving a trail of smoke in its wake, the agency said. — France-Press.

## 28 REBELS KILLED IN ALGERIA

Algiers, Apr. 8.

A total of 28 rebels were killed today in a series of clashes with security forces in the Bougie area of central-east Algeria, it was reported in Algiers tonight.

Sixteen of the rebels were killed during a military operation at the village of Tamarist, four others in another military operation near Sidi Aich.

Two French soldiers were wounded when a band of rebels attacked a military post in the market place of Sidi Aich. The attackers were repulsed, leaving eight dead.

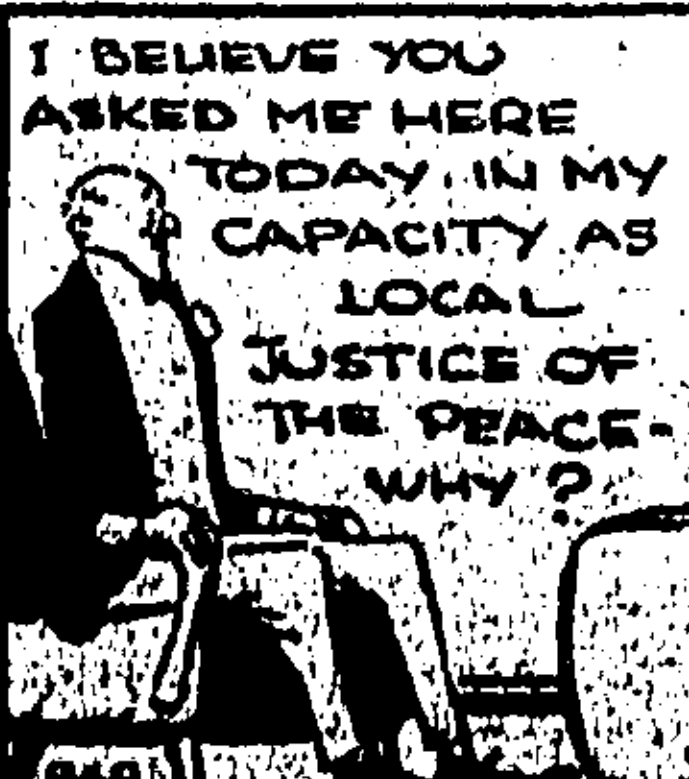
## 40 SUSPECTS

It was also reported from Bougie that the Muslim villagers of Irtabene handed over a rebel liaison agent to the French military authorities.

From Oran it was reported tonight that 40 suspects were arrested at Tlemcen, near the Moroccan frontier. Among them was a man accused of the murder of a forestry guard. Terrorists set fire to a stock of cork on the docks at Collo today and attempted to fire a store in Oran.

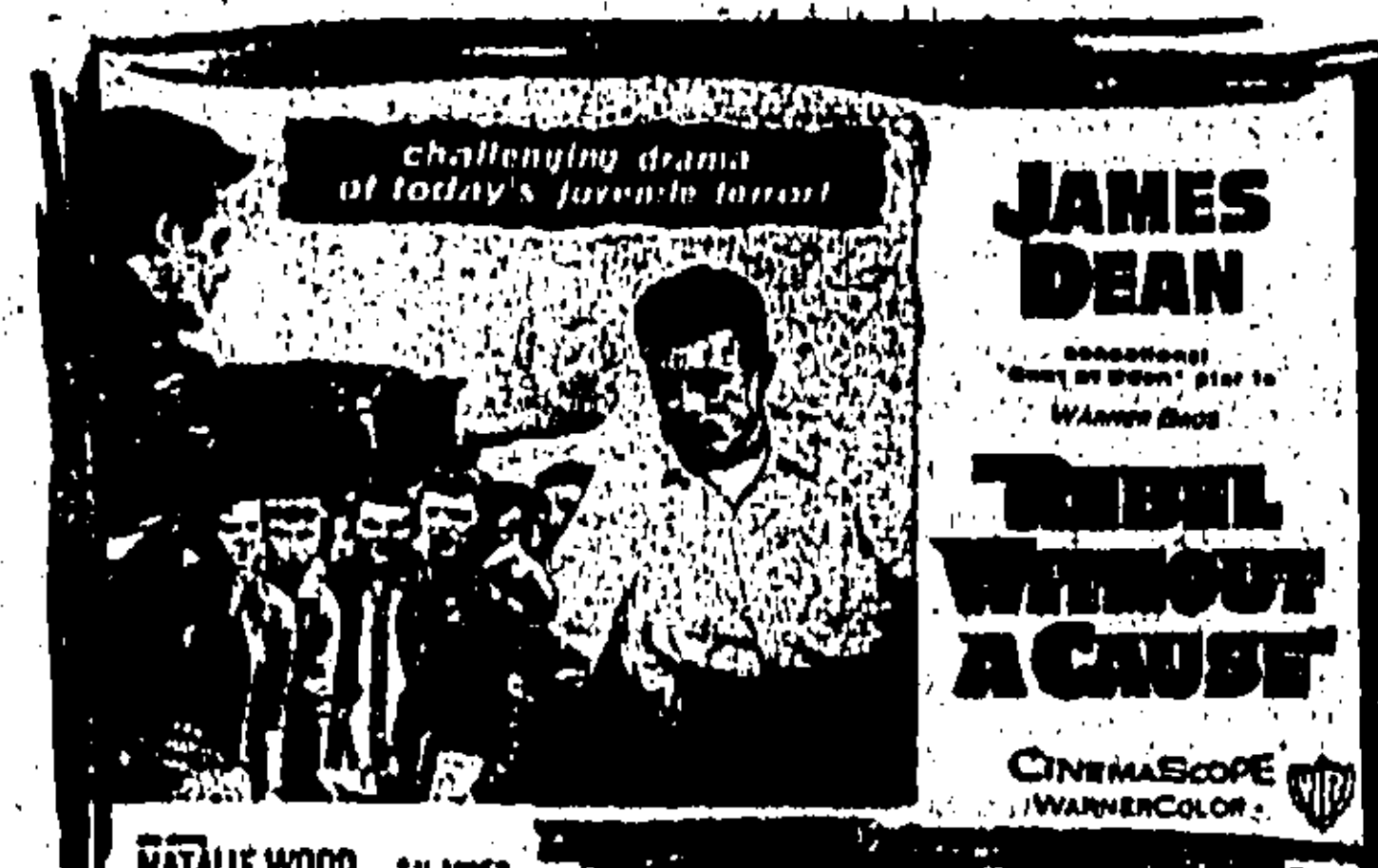
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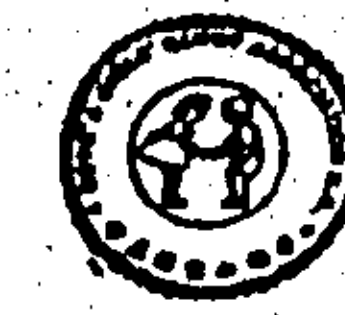
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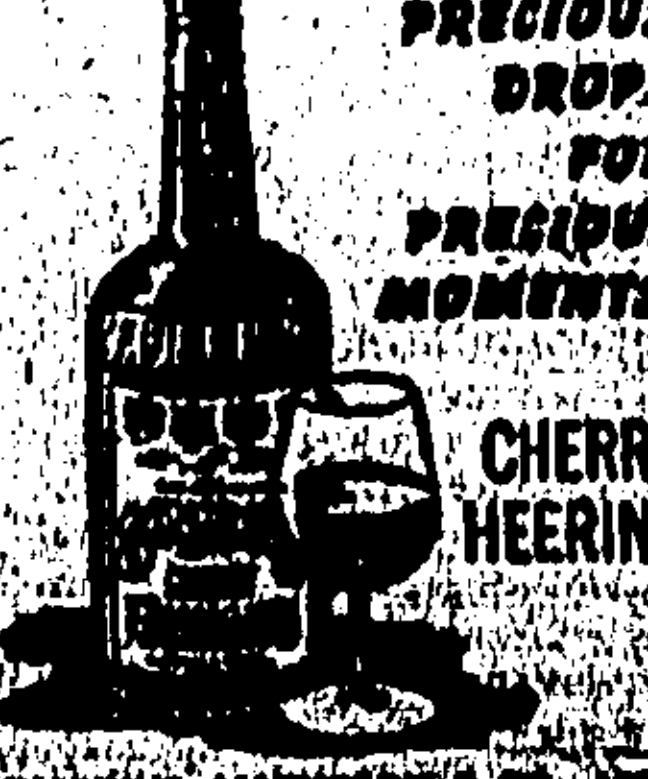
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# HITLER CONSIDERED ALIVE . . . LEGALLY

By Norman Lindhurst

I HAVE just learned that in West Germany, Adolf Hitler is regarded as still being alive—or legally alive anyway.

Here at Hitler's old Alpine hideaway—where Der Fuehrer planned the Nazis' last-ditch stand—fervent Nazis are making an incredible legal stand.

For three years the Berchtesgaden court has dithered over the simple act of declaring Hitler legally dead—and thus liquidating the last vestiges of the Hitler myth.

Tons of documents have been put at the disposal of a shabby magistrate's court here. Eye-witnesses to various phases of Hitler's demise have given solemn testimony. For many months now the court has been in possession of overwhelming and conclusive evidence that Hitler is dead, but still the court has procrastinated. And, in the field of law, the dithering has been an unexcusable exhibition of Teutonic thoroughness earned to the final, hair-splitting degree.

There have long been angry murmurs from anti-Nazis in Germany about the delay in declaring Hitler legally dead. When Hitler's valet, Heinz Lange, and Hitler's personal pilot, Hans Baur, returned from Russia last autumn with their lurid accounts of the Fuehrer's last hours in his Berlin bunker, it appeared that the grisly Berchtesgaden legal farce must indeed be quickly ended. But not at all. The Berchtesgaden court has found new pretences for delay, and although Lange and Baur have been back now nearly four months, Der Fuehrer is still a long way from being legally dead.

The West Berlin courts last summer set out to establish Hitler's death, but ran into a jurisdictional battle with the Berchtesgaden court.

The court at Berchtesgaden, where Hitler had his Alpine hideaway, has refused to surrender documents in the Hitler case to West Berlin.

## Teeth and bones

The "difficulty" in certifying Hitler's death is due to the lack of a corpus delicti. All the evidence available to Berchtesgaden and West Berlin authorities is based entirely on testimony—or so says the Berchtesgaden court.

The Soviets apparently have the only physical evidence that Hitler, as is generally accepted, shot himself through the head and that his chauffeur then cremated the body in the Reichschancellery garden with a tin of petrol.

Fritz Gschmied, one of Hitler's dentists, told the Berchtesgaden court:

"When the Russians conquered Berlin, they confiscated everything in our office. They arrested me and took me to the Soviet Union. Later, several MVD officers showed me several sets of teeth and some bones in a cigar box."

"I had worked on Hitler's teeth in the autumn of 1944 and consequently was able to identify a lower jawbone as being Hitler's. The Russians did not appear entirely satisfied, however, and made me draw from memory a diagram of Hitler's mouth."

Meanwhile, Hitler's SS bodyguard, Mengerhausen, and the head of the Fuehrer's garage, Schneider, have also returned to West Germany.

Both witnessed Hitler's cremation. Schneider having carried the petrol used in the cremation—but the Berchtesgaden court is still not convinced.

## His property

Not surprisingly, the West Berlin and Berchtesgaden courts must certify Hitler's death to wind up disposition of his personal property, consisting of his Berchtesgaden villa and personal effects and confiscated by the Bavarian State Government in 1948. After a Bavarian denazification court had ruled that Hitler was a "major Nazi."

A death certificate is necessary, however, to seal the confiscation of Hitler's property in Germany and also in Austria. An Austrian Government trustee has been placed in charge of a valuable painting by the Dutch master, Jan Vermeer, which Hitler purchased during the war, and miscellaneous other personal items.

Meanwhile, for more than five years, Hitler's youngest sister, 61-year-old Mrs Paula Hitler-Wolf has been waging a legal battle with the Bavarian Government for a share of Hitler's estate.

## No certificate

Penniless and living on public relief at Berchtesgaden, Mrs Hitler-Wolf claims that Hitler left her part of his property in a private will. The Bavarian Government contend, however, that Hitler's will was not couched in the proper legal terms.

Mrs Hitler-Wolf has tried to fight the case further in the courts but has been thwarted because she can't produce Hitler's death certificate.

Hitler has one other surviving relative, a half-brother, Alois, whom Hitler set up in the restaurant business in Berlin after he became the German Fuehrer. Alois now lives as a recluse in Hamburg under the name "Hiller."



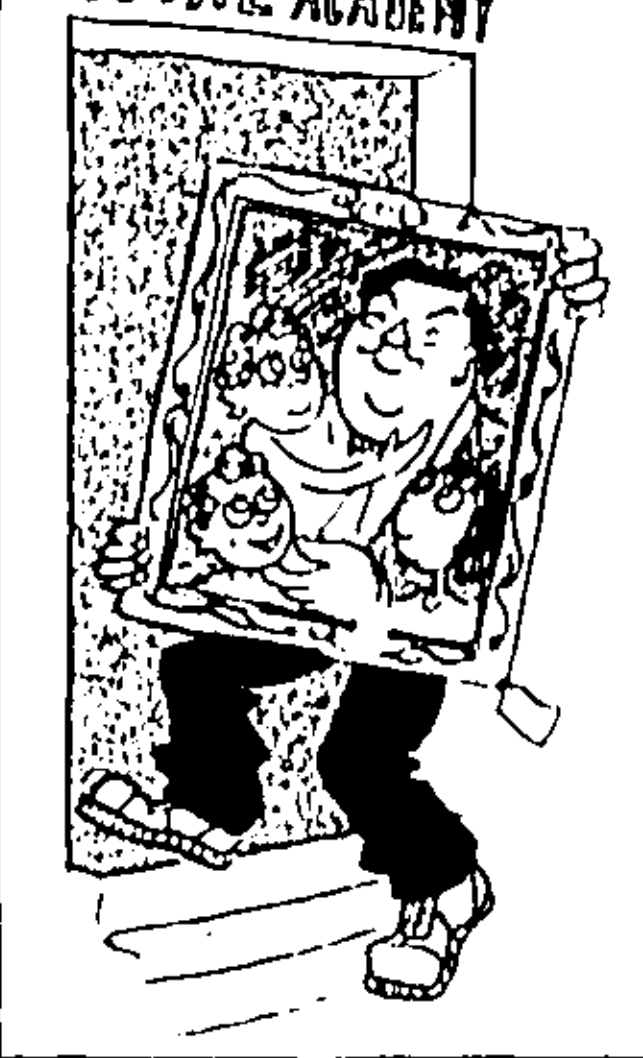
"What with horses doing the National course twice round without their riders and the Queen Mother's horse wanting to jump over a jump that wasn't there I feel a bit of a fool."

London Express Service

## POCKET CARTOON

by OSBERT LANCASTER

ROYAL ACADEMY



COLE PORTER  
FOREVER GALLANT

# EVE PERRICK

## SMARTEST WOMAN IN THE WORLD GRACES A PARTY

Monte Carlo. IN Monte Carlo's smartest restaurant, which goes by the unsavory name of Le Snack (although it is not quite the place in which to ask for a ham sandwich) there was a very smart party the other night.

It was given in honour of Mr Cole Porter, who is a very smart man indeed and who, having just finished the words and music for Miss Kelly's last film "High Society," is now, as they say, travelling abroad.

## DAISY

To help things along Miss Daisy Stevens, who is the cutest daughter of the score, gave a private recital of the score.

Among those present was the smartest woman in the world, Mrs Daisy (Reginald) Fellowes, who is the daughter of a French duke, the one-time wife of a prince, the widow of a wealthy Englishman, and permanently at the top of the Best-Dressed-Women's list.

And also the Grand Duchess Marie of Russia, who is of course, a Romanoff, the Earl and Countess of Cromer—she is the daughter of a Press Lord (but not mine)—and Mr Aris-

totle Onassis who, I am delighted to learn, is known to his friends as "Ari," pronounced exactly like the "I'm-just-wild-about" man without the alch.

The arrival here of Mr Porter, a spare but spruce figure sporting the biggest, pinkest carnation seen this side of Asia Minor in the buttonhole of his peacock-grey suit, caused quite a flutter among the marmalade-milk coated dowagers who live the winters of their lives in the Hotel de Paris.

I dig up that almost forgotten, cliché about Asia Minor because Mr Porter, surprisingly, used it when he was telling me about his itinerary to define that part of the world we know as the Middle East, and the term "marmalade milk" to describe fur coats of that old-fashioned cut and colour which pre-date the silver-blue and breath-of-spring models by a couple of decades.

Anyway, the sophisticated composer, sitting in the luxuriously carpeted (at a cost to Mr Onassis of many thousands of pounds, I am told) foyer of the hotel greeting his many friends,

has been a feature of the place these last few rainy days.

Mr Porter is over the gallant. "Oh, still my lady of the camellias," he exclaimed as the sweet-faced but definitely elderly Lady Michelham piquetted round him to show off her new and very pretty scarlet coat and hat.

## SHH!

With me, he talked of show business and local gossip. For "High Society" he has composed some music for Louis Armstrong to play in a jazz session sequence.

"That sort of thing is very new for me. I can't say whether it is good music or not. I just wouldn't know, but it was such fun to do."

I said I preferred my Cole Porter straight—cool, calm, and slightly wicked lyric-wise, and that he really didn't look like my idea of a jazz man at all.

"Anything for a change," said my second favourite composer, and went on to whisper the wonderful rumour that is float-

ing around—that Prince Pierre, father of Balnear, is going to elope to Italy to marry the lady who was once the wife of the Grand Duke Dmitri, and at the moment just plain Mrs Emery.

With which Cole Porter went out of my life en route for Rome, Sicily, and the Middle East (or Asia Minor, dependent upon what school you went to, and where).

So to cheer myself up I went to call on Mrs Fellowes at her Cop Martin villa, Les Zorrides.

Now, there is elegant living for you! A flock of footmen in attendance, a handsome staircase covered in what looked like leopard skin leading to the drawing room, where the lady of the house waited.

The Best Dressed Woman in the World was wearing something in the way of a navy suit and white silk shirt, which I would describe as "of deceptive simplicity." If that were not such a hackneyed phrase.

Her well-groomed head was framed through a branch of white orchids expertly arranged in a vase behind her.

To complete the picture, Mrs Fellowes was sitting elegantly and daintily embroidering a tapestry chair cover.

It was difficult to believe that her name was Daisy. She offered me bread and honey, and tea from a Georgian silver pot.

## IN THE KNOW

Mrs Fellowes spoke knowingly about the reigning house of Monaco, to which she is related. In exchange I was able to fill her in on some details about Miss Kelly, from which she was able to estimate that the bride of the year would seem to be taller than her groom.

Together we discussed ways and means in the matter of shoes and clothes which would make this difference less noticeable on the wedding day.

She mentioned also that her previous day's lunch guest, Sir Winston Churchill, was thinking of buying the empress's villa, which was situated at the bottom of the magnificent gardens of Les Zorrides.

I did not betray the fact that I was a stranger round those parts by asking which empress.

## HOT DOG

My little chat with the gracious lady and talented gentleman were notable highlights in a rainy week in the Riviera room.

But these things to my reporter's mind had also noticed—

THE UNEXPECTED SCENE IN THE Casino's Salon Prive (well, as private as you can get for its extra, the price of admission) of the hot dogs which are the favourite food of the beleaguered matrons who frequent the place.

In fact, at this slack time of the year there seem to be more sausages than big-time gamblers around.

THE MAN with the softest of soft jobs—the Cuban consul in Lisbon who, having discovered there was only one Cuban living in Portugal for him to take care of, spends most of his time in Monaco "escaping" the cares of office.

THE TINIEST BIT OF recentment on the part of the Monacaques who have been tactfully told that the prince, who already has three American cars and a Mercedes-Benz, suggests they buy a "new" car for the place of the Rolls-Royce they were going to give him. So Grace will get an £8,000 diamond necklace from her future citizens instead.

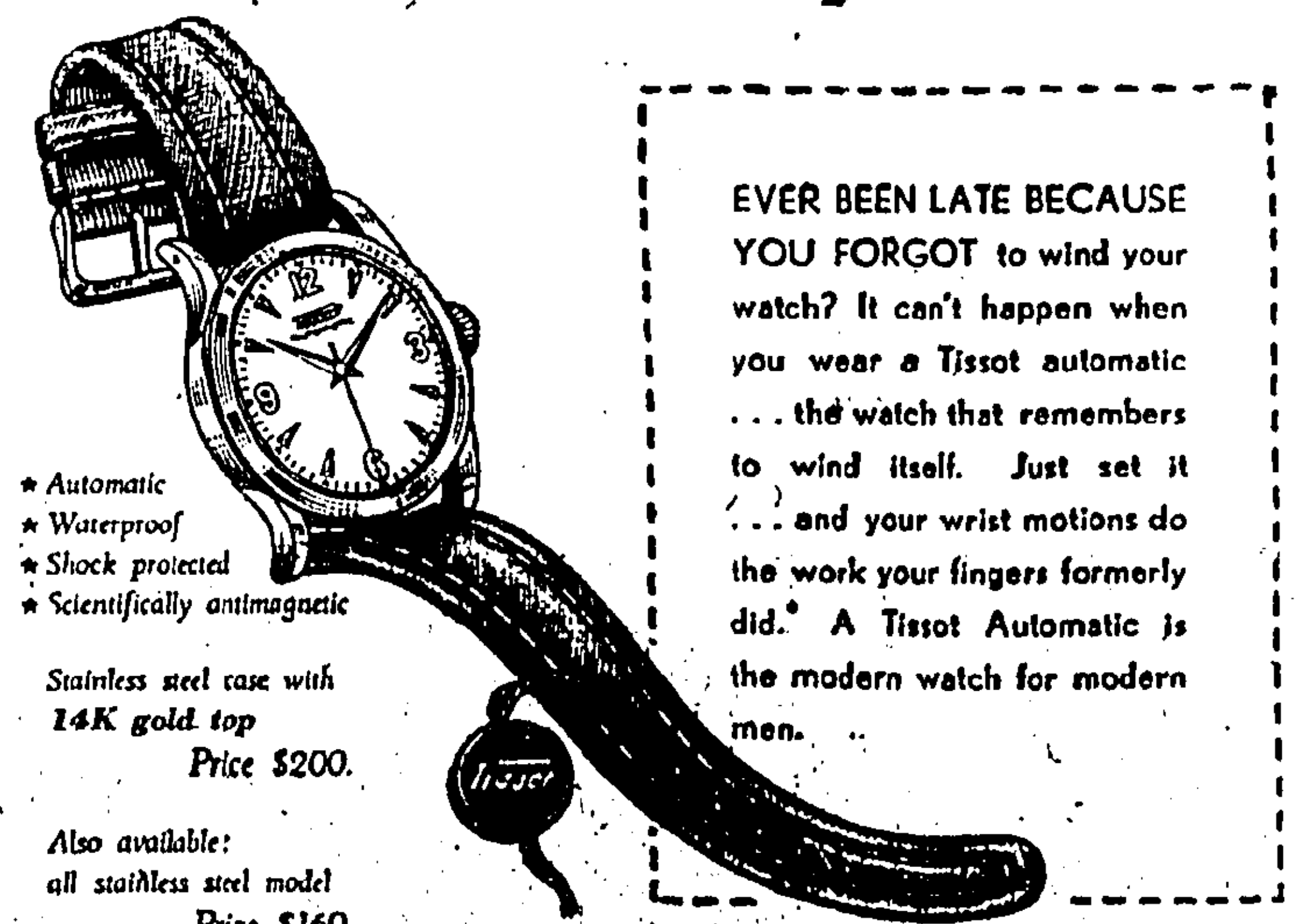
## NOSTALGIA

To end on a strictly personal note: On my wedding anniversary, which fell one day this week, I went along to visit the small, antiques spot near where I spent my honeymoon. The hotel where we stayed had been converted into flats, and I did not recognize it.

I got lost. Inevitably it poured. Not altogether a successful sentimental journey. Perhaps I ought to have had my husband along.

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# RELIGION ALIVE IN RUSSIA BUT NOT ON RIGHT LINES

From SYDNEY SMITH

THE story of 50 million Russian churchgoers, of overcrowded Soviet theological colleges, of Soviet priests with their own cats, was told in Paris last week by an American Baptist, Dr Paul B. Anderson, on his return from Russia.

After ten days of religious conferences in Moscow and Leningrad, Dr Anderson told me: "With eight other American churchmen, representing the National Council of Churches, I met the heads of all Soviet churches. They gave us a slight intimation that there is an easing of the situation since the 20th Communist Party Conference. They said things looked very much better—but they would not criticize the past."

Dr Anderson has been to Russia before—with a war prisoners' aid mission during the Russian revolution. He speaks fluent Russian, and has been a subscriber to Pravda for 30 years.

"The object of our visit," said Dr Anderson, "was to discuss with Soviet religious leaders how the churches could work for peace. That we did, quite freely. The Archbishops of the Lutheran churches in Lithuania, Estonia and Armenia were there."

"We visited theological colleges in Moscow and Leningrad. The average age of the students in the seminaries was 30 to 35 years. In the higher colleges, students were in their late twenties."

"There are eight theological seminaries and two colleges in Russia. They are crowded, and there is a long list of students waiting to enter."

"Who are the students? Well, I met one man who had served six years in the Soviet Navy. Others are sons of engineers, teachers and professional families. These training is paid for out of church funds."

"In Moscow and its outskirts," Dr Anderson went on, "I met priests with their own cars. Our Russian church hosts paid all our expenses."

Dr Anderson and four others of the American delegation preached at the Moscow Baptist Church.

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Dr Anderson complained: "The law there is that there shall be freedom for religious worship and for anti-religious propaganda. We were distressed that there was no religious teaching outside the ordinary local church service. But we found that local priests were free to go to private homes to talk to the children, if they were invited. One rectory outside Moscow told me that he called almost every day to talk to children in private homes."

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## AN INVITATION

In spite of all the favourable things he said, Dr Anderson is still not convinced that religion in Russia is on the right lines.

He concluded: "When the Russian church leaders told us that they felt quite content with the law which allows church services but not church education, we asked them why. We said they had no right to be content. They have accepted our invitation to come over to America in June, and then we shall give them the same kind of service that we have here and talk it all over again."



## This Funny World



"Who's the odd character?"

## BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

ASKED whether Narkover was following the example of other schools, and raising its fees, Dr. Smart-Alick hesitated. Then he said, "Owing to the imprisonment of an unprecedented number of parents in recent years, we decided not to charge a fixed fee. We reckon that the wealthier boys lose enough in cards to make up the difference. Then there are always parents who pay considerable sums to suppress information we may happen to have about them. Money also comes in from various activities which it would not be in the public interest for me to disclose, as they are not all connected with education. In the academic sense of the word." A Governor of the School commented: "Seldom has a headmaster spoken more frankly."

## Disgraceful ping-pong

THE mobbing of referees and umpires seems to have relaxed the discipline in all kinds of sports and games.

Today we hang our heads in shame as we read the report of the incident in Singapore, where a British ping-pong team refused to eat its sandwiches until they had been tasted by an opponent. This fear of poison is utterly un-British," said a spokesman at Ping-Pong House yesterday. There are also stories of oaths at the table, and of grimaces, not tampered with, and hysterical outbursts in the changing-room. At a chess match in Weymouth, a player was found to be using an extra queen, and two marked pawns.

## Mrs Wretch hits out

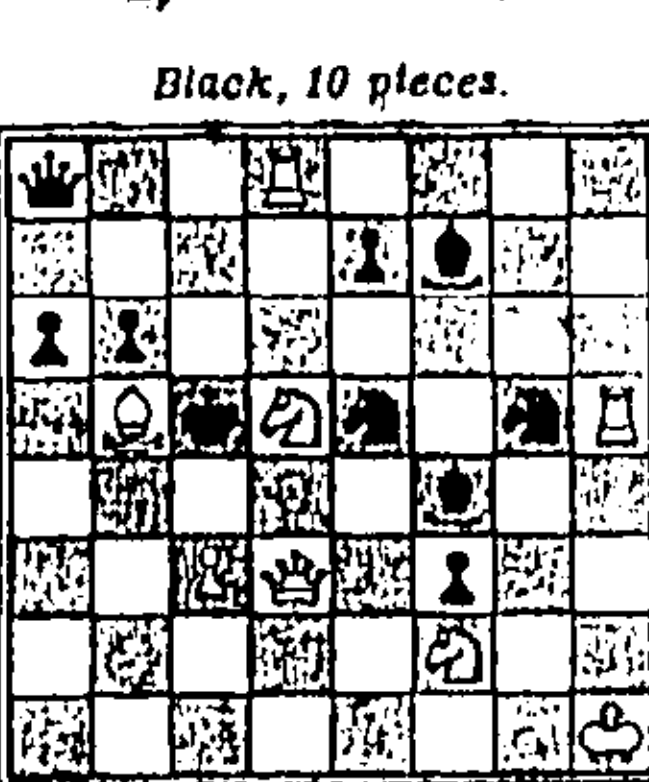
THE uncorroborated statement of the Foreign Secretary that some action will have to be taken to preserve peace in the Middle East came like a thunderclap. Expert observers say that the decks are now cleared for action. Speaking at Tuxford, Mrs. Wretch said: "I would go as far as to say that unless something is done, things are bound to happen. The crisis cannot be solved by not doing

## The magic cream

Ex-debutante Cornelia Gray Applied cosmetics night and day. Yet her plain and homely face Remained a positive disgrace. Then, someone, pitying her plight, And calling her a perfect fright, Said, "Here is something that would seem To be the perfect vanishing cream." Cornelia, striking with delight, Rubbed the stuff in with all her might, And vanished, muttering, "What a mess!" Oh, well. One ugly girl the less.

## CHESS PROBLEM

By A. P. EERKES



White, 8 pieces.  
Black, 10 pieces.  
White to play mate in two.  
Solution to Saturday's problem:  
1. P-K6 1. K-Q6 2. Q-Q1  
1. P-K6 1. K-Q6 2. Q-Q1  
(ch).

## YOUR BIRTHDAY

By STELLA

MONDAY, APRIL 9

BORN today, you have a dominating nature. You may not realize it, but you do not take orders from any kind of grade. Unless you can be the leader, you would much prefer to play! Your vitality and stamina are strong and once you set out to accomplish something, your determination will see you through to a successful conclusion. Yet, despite all these positive traits, you have a certain friendliness and would, under no circumstances, hurt another individual in your climb toward success.

Your ambitions are high, but they do not encompass the techniques of walking roughshod over your nearest competitor. Rather, you will give him an even chance and then win out in an open fight. Your impulses are near the surface and you will say and do things which you regret almost the next instant. You women, especially, have strong

likes and dislikes and are not afraid to show them. You may find that cultivating a little social tact will smooth the road for you. In addition to executive ability, you have exceptional manual dexterity and would probably enjoy a hobby in which you could make use of this gift. Sometimes, with you, a hobby could be turned into a second, well-paying vocation. Among those born on this date are: King Leopold II of Belgium; Carmel Myers, actress; Fisher Ames, statesman; Fern Zillig, actress; Charles Pierre Baudelaire, poet; Olin L. Warner, sculptor; and Thomas Meighan, silent screen star.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

TUESDAY, APRIL 10

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—A fortunate day for all of your personal plans. You can succeed at almost anything you undertake. TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Yesterday's social gains are made to pay profitable dividends just now. Aspects are beneficial.

GEMINI (May 22-June 22)—A combination of social and business benefits will bring pleasure and contentment to you now. CANCER (June 23-July 23)—Your career offers splendid opportunities for advancement. There is a romantic potential, too. LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—A fine day to demonstrate to those in command that you are capable of handling great responsibility. VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Make sure that your credit status is right. Pay bills and see that business obligations are met. LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—You will find that being co-operative and friendly is greatly to your advantage now. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—Favorable aspects show good fortune on your efforts these days. Take advantage of any new opportunities. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 24-Dec. 23)—Make careful plans and then follow them to the letter. You will find you are making excellent progress. CAPRICORN (Dec. 24-Jan. 20)—Take the initiative in some important to your future. Your decision will count in the long run. AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Complete a task begun yesterday and endeavor to succeed. You should meet with success. PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—Business affairs are booming for you. Lead, rather than follow, in some major enterprise undertaken today.

SATURDAY'S SOLUTION: Chart cross clues and keep until you find each clue. Then, in the puzzle, find the word. The words are: A. P. EERKES, B. C. H. E. S. S. P. R. O. B. L. E. M.

## JACOBY ON BRIDGE

East Ducks Trick To Set

By OSWALD JACOBY

EVERY experienced player knows about the holdup play. You refuse to take a trick when it is offered, holding up a winning card until a more suitable time.

In today's hand we see an unusual holdup. The play was executed by a defender. It had to be timed perfectly.

West opened the king of hearts and continued with the ace. South ruffed and drew three rounds of trumps.

Declarer next led a club and finessed dummy's jack. East won with the queen and returned a heart, making South use his fifth trump.

South now led a club to dummy's king, and East led dummy hold the trick. East was Sam Katz, well-known Miami bridge expert, and no stranger to the science of the holdup play.

Now declarer had to get out of dummy's nehov to continue

NORTH			8
♠	32		
♥	7632		
♦	A J 4 3 2		
♣	K J		
WEST			
♠	654		
♥	A K 8 4		
♦	Q 8 7		
♣	4 3 2		
EAST			
♠	6 7		
♥	Q 10 9 5		
♦	K 10 9 8		
♣	A Q 8		
SOUTH (D)			
♠	A K Q J 10 9		
♥	J		
♦	6		
♣	10 9 8 7 6		
North-South vul.			
South	West	North	East
1	Pass	1 N.T.	Pass
2	Pass	3 N.T.	Pass
3	Pass	Pass	Pass
4	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead—♥ K			

the clubs. He cashed the ace of diamonds and ruffed a diamond, thus using up his last trump. South couldn't make another trick. He was down two.

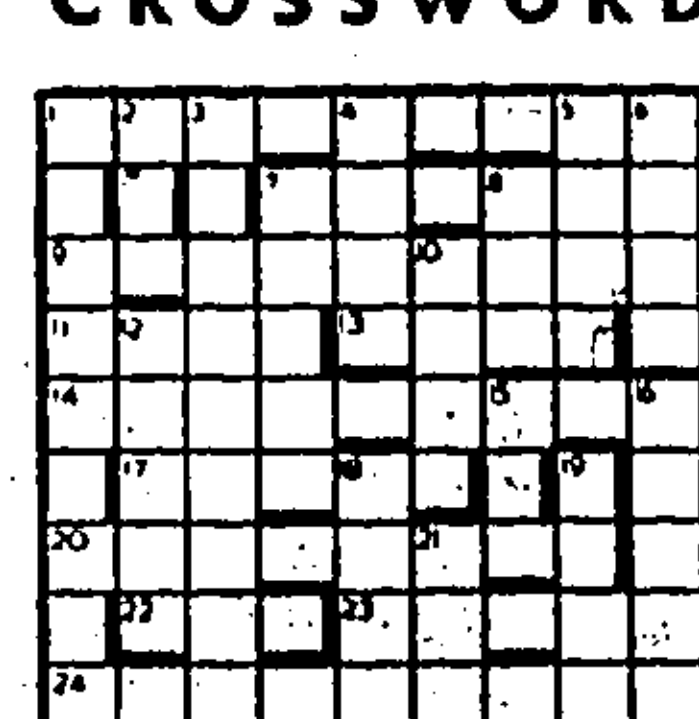
If Sam had taken the second club, or had refused the first, declarer would have set up the long clubs and would have made the game contract. If South had begun on the clubs before drawing trumps, he'd have landed on his feet, but it didn't occur to him that his magnificent trump suit needed careful coddling.

## ♥ CARD SENSE ♦

Q—The bidding has been: North—East South West  
1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16. 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31. 32. 33. 34. 35. 36. 37. 38. 39. 40. 41. 42. 43. 44. 45. 46. 47. 48. 49. 50. 51. 52. 53. 54. 55. 56. 57. 58. 59. 60. 61. 62. 63. 64. 65. 66. 67. 68. 69. 70. 71. 72. 73. 74. 75. 76. 77. 78. 79. 80. 81. 82. 83. 84. 85. 86. 87. 88. 89. 90. 91. 92. 93. 94. 95. 96. 97. 98. 99. 100. 101. 102. 103. 104. 105. 106. 107. 108. 109. 110. 111. 112. 113. 114. 115. 116. 117. 118. 119. 120. 121. 122. 123. 124. 125. 126. 127. 128. 129. 130. 131. 132. 133. 134. 135. 136. 137. 138. 139. 140. 141. 142. 143. 144. 145. 146. 147. 148. 149. 150. 151. 152. 153. 154. 155. 156. 157. 158. 159. 160. 161. 162. 163. 164. 165. 166. 167. 168. 169. 170. 171. 172. 173. 174. 175. 176. 177. 178. 179. 180. 181. 182. 183. 184. 185. 186. 187. 188. 189. 190. 191. 192. 193. 194. 195. 196. 197. 198. 199. 200. 201. 202. 203. 204. 205. 206. 207. 208. 209. 210. 211. 212. 213. 214. 215. 216. 217. 218. 219. 220. 221. 222. 223. 224. 225. 226. 227. 228. 229. 230. 231. 232. 233. 234. 235. 236. 237. 238. 239. 240. 241. 242. 243. 244. 245. 246. 247. 248. 249. 250. 251. 252. 253. 254. 255. 256. 257. 258. 259. 260. 261. 262. 263. 264. 265. 266. 267. 268. 269. 270. 271. 272. 273. 274. 275. 276. 277. 278. 279. 280. 281. 282. 283. 284. 285. 286. 287. 288. 289. 290. 291. 292. 293. 294. 295. 296. 297. 298. 299. 300. 301. 302. 303. 304. 305. 306. 307. 308. 309. 310. 311. 312. 313. 314. 315. 316. 317. 318. 319. 320. 321. 322. 323. 324. 325. 326. 327. 328. 329. 330. 331. 332. 333. 334. 335. 336. 337. 338. 339. 340. 341. 342. 343. 344. 345. 346. 347. 348. 349. 350. 351. 352. 353. 354. 355. 356. 357. 358. 359. 360. 361. 362. 363. 364. 365. 366. 367. 368. 369. 370. 371. 372. 373. 374. 375. 376. 377. 378. 379. 380. 381. 382. 383. 384. 385. 386. 387. 388. 389. 390. 391. 392. 393. 394. 395. 396. 397. 398. 399. 400. 401. 402. 403. 404. 405. 406. 407. 408. 409. 410. 411. 412. 413. 414. 415. 416. 417. 418. 419. 420. 421. 422. 423. 424. 425. 426. 427. 428. 429. 430. 431. 432. 433. 434. 435. 436. 437. 438. 439. 440. 441. 442. 443. 444. 445. 446. 447. 448. 449. 450. 451. 452. 453. 454. 455. 456. 457. 458. 459. 460. 461. 462. 463. 464. 465. 466. 467. 468. 469. 470. 471. 472. 473. 474. 475. 476. 477. 478. 479. 480. 481. 482. 483. 484. 485. 486. 487. 488. 489. 490. 491. 492. 493. 494. 495. 496. 497. 498. 499. 500. 501. 502. 503. 504. 505. 506. 507. 508. 509. 510. 511. 512. 513. 514. 515. 516. 517. 518. 519. 520. 521. 522. 523. 524. 525. 526. 527. 528. 529. 530. 531. 532. 533. 534. 535. 536. 537. 538. 539. 540. 541. 542. 543. 544. 545. 546. 547. 548. 549. 550. 551. 552. 553. 554. 555. 556. 557. 558. 559. 560. 561. 562. 563. 564. 565. 566. 567. 568. 569. 570. 571. 572. 573. 574. 575. 576. 577. 578. 579. 580. 581. 582. 583. 584. 585. 586. 587. 588. 589. 590. 591. 592. 593. 594. 595. 596. 597. 598. 599. 600. 601. 602. 603. 604. 605. 606. 607. 608. 609. 610. 611. 612. 613. 614. 615. 616. 617. 618. 619. 620. 621. 622. 623. 624. 625. 626. 627. 628. 629. 630. 631. 632. 633. 634. 635. 636. 637. 638. 639. 640. 641. 642. 643. 644. 645. 646. 647. 648. 649. 650. 651. 652. 653. 654. 655. 656. 657. 658. 659. 660. 661. 662. 663. 664. 665. 666. 667. 668. 669. 670. 671. 672. 673. 674. 675. 676. 677. 678. 679. 680. 681. 682. 683. 684. 685. 686. 687. 688. 689. 690. 691. 692. 693. 694. 695. 696. 697. 698. 699. 700. 701. 702. 703. 704. 705. 706. 707. 708. 709. 710. 711. 712. 713. 714. 715. 716. 717. 718. 719. 720. 721. 722. 723. 724. 725. 726. 727. 728. 729. 730. 731. 732. 733. 734. 735. 736. 737. 738. 739. 740. 741. 742. 743. 744. 745. 746. 747. 748. 749. 750. 751. 752. 753. 754. 755. 756. 757. 758. 759. 760. 761. 762. 763. 764. 765. 766. 767. 768. 769. 770. 771. 772. 773. 774. 775. 776. 777. 778. 779. 780. 781. 782. 783. 784. 785. 786. 787. 788. 789. 790. 791. 792. 793. 794. 795. 796. 797. 798. 799. 800. 801. 802. 803. 804. 805. 806. 807. 808. 809. 810. 811. 812. 813. 814. 815. 816. 817. 818. 819. 820. 821. 822. 823. 824. 825. 826. 827. 828. 829. 830. 831. 832. 833. 834. 835. 836. 837. 838. 839. 840. 841. 842. 843. 844. 845. 846. 847. 848. 849. 850. 851. 852. 853. 854. 855. 856. 857. 858. 859. 860. 861. 862. 863. 864. 865. 866. 867. 868. 869. 870. 871. 872. 873. 874. 875. 876. 877. 878. 879. 880. 881. 882. 883. 884. 885. 886. 887. 888. 889. 890. 891. 892. 893. 894. 895. 896. 897. 898. 899. 900. 901. 902. 903. 904. 905. 906. 907. 908. 909. 910. 911. 912. 913. 914. 915. 916. 917. 918. 919. 920. 921. 922. 923. 924. 925. 926. 927. 928. 929. 930. 931. 932. 933. 934. 935. 936. 937. 938. 939. 940. 941. 942. 943. 944. 945. 946. 947. 948. 949. 950. 951. 952. 953. 954. 955. 956. 957. 958. 959. 960. 961. 962. 963. 964. 965. 966. 967. 968. 969. 970. 971. 972. 973. 974. 975. 976. 977. 978. 979. 980. 981. 982. 983. 984. 985. 986. 987. 988. 989. 990. 991. 992. 993. 994. 995. 996. 997. 998. 999. 1000.

TODAY'S QUESTION  
The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold:  
♠ 8 4 3 2 ♣ Q J 7 5 ♦ A K 9 8 ♣ A K 9 8  
What do you do?  
Answer Tomorrow

## CROSSWORD



Across  
1. There are north and south ones in the States. (2)  
2. It matters not much more than a little. (6)  
3. "Pan" "Hi" after a mixed meal. (9)  
4. Spar in return. (4)  
5. This cannot be beaten except by playing a pi lure of your hand. (10)  
6. When your strength is concentrated in two suits, it is usually best to bid both suits. (10)  
7. Tipped, before "On thy oar, grey stone, O sea." (5)  
8. Partner. (4)  
9. A fine day to demonstrate to those in command that you are capable of handling great responsibility. (10)  
10. Steam plays it at the fair. (6)  
11. Root is said. (anagram) (5)  
Down  
1. May well be added to an accountant. (6)  
2. Making without manuscript. (8)  
3. There's more than just enthusiasm about this kind of play. (10)  
4. Hide-out. (4)  
5. Partner for Alack. (4)  
6. This sort of song is probably played well and truly. (8)  
7. Out on return. (6)  
8. Last defender in many a tussle. (6)  
9. A shady spot in America. (5)  
10. Turn around. (6)  
11. A U. S. S. R. (6)  
12. Prophet of the Old Testament. (6)  
13. Group for a group of stars. (6)  
14. Out. (4)  
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# WOMANSENSE



This evening dress in grey organza depicts the new draped line of Nina Ricci's Spring and Summer Collection—Agence France-Presse.

## How Do You Answer A Child's Questions?

By GARRY C. MYERS, Ph.D.

"WHAT'S that?" "Does that bird have a mommy?" "Does he sleep in a bed?" "Why does the puppy eat that way?" "Who put the water in the pond?" On and on go the questions asked by the child from two to five. He may ask ten questions in twenty minutes if you answer him kindly. That's the way he has of expressing his keen curiosity. He likes to talk and to hear you talk. Some mothers write that they are worn out trying to answer the young child's questions. Some parents get vexed at the young interrogator and tell him not to ask so many questions or such "foolish" ones. It can become tiresome, especially when he asks so many one can't answer. But if we discourage his inquiries, he may gradually give up. By the time he enters school, he may ask almost none. By that time, either his curiosity will have waned or he will be trying harder to find out the answers for himself. He's at his best when, on learning to read, he finds answers from the printed page.

## BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

### Knarf's Humming Song

—He Looked Everywhere And Finally Found It In A Tree—

By MAX TRELL  
KNARF, the shadow, was walking down the street. As he walked along he lifted his head and looked up into the sky, then he looked down at the ground, then he looked to one side or the other side. But whatever it was that he was looking for in the sky or on the ground or one side or the other he didn't find it. Finally, he reached the corner where the Policeman was standing. So he stopped and looked at the Policeman. "Hello, boy," said the Policeman. "Hello, Policeman," said Knarf. "Are you looking for me?" asked the Policeman. "I'm looking for a song," he said. "I sang it this morning when I first got up. It slipped out through the window. I'm trying to find it again." "I see," said the Policeman. "What kind of a song was it?" "It didn't have words," said Knarf. "No words?" said the Policeman. "How can we find it if it has no words?" "It's a humming song," said Knarf. "Well, well, well," said the Policeman. "And he scratched the back of his head under his Policeman's hat and said, 'Well, well, well,' again. Just then, the Plumber came along. He was carrying a bag of tools and a bucket. He was a Plumber. Someone's pipe was leaking. "Just a moment, please," said the Policeman. "Our friend

## SIMPLE RECIPES OFTEN MAKE THE BEST DISHES

By IDA BAILEY ALLEN

"IT'S sometimes surprising, Chef," I was saying, "how short and simple-looking recipes with few ingredients make some of the best dishes."

"For instance, the Peach Marshmallow Cream we're featuring in today's column. Four ingredients and about 5 minutes' working time is all that is required. And what a reward! It makes a dessert that can top off a company dinner, and it is elegant enough to serve at a dessert luncheon."

"Tinned sliced peaches also are delightful, Madame," replied the Chef, "in a crisscross peach pie with a cream cheese crust. Or in filling tall blacuit short-cakes, topped with a tower of whipped cream and more peaches. And sliced peaches are a treat on any relish tray."

Sliced Sliced Peaches: Combine the syrup drained from 1 (No. 2½) tin sliced peaches with ½ c. sugar and ½ c. vinegar.

Add 1 in. stick cinnamon and 6 cloves tied in a bit of gauze. Boil 5 min.

Add the peaches; boil 5 min. Cool.

Remove the spice bag. Cover and refrigerate.

Dinner  
French Onion Soup  
Blanquette of Veal  
Buttered Rice  
Hot Kalo Vinaigrette  
Peach Marshmallow Cream  
Coffee Tea Milk

All Measurements Are Level  
Recipes Proportioned to Serve 4 to 6

Blanquette of Veal: Cut 2 lbs. breast of veal into 8 serving portions. Place in a heavy 2-qt. saucepan.

Add 1 tsp. salt, ½ tsp. monosodium glutamate and 4 c. boiling water. Bring to boiling point.

Add ½ a sliced peeled onion, 1 sliced peeled carrot, 2 whole cloves, 2 sprigs parsley and ½ a bayleaf. Cover; simmer 1½ hrs. or until the veal is fork-tender.

Household Hints  
Outside doors can be given extra strength, if necessary, by putting a third hinge midway between those



## YESTERDAY'S SOFTBALL HK SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION BEATS SHANGRI-LA 2-1 IN FAST MOVING TUSSLE

By "TIME OUT"

Returning to the Hawk line-up after a long absence, veteran ball-hawk Ollie Vas spearheaded his team to a well-earned 6-4 victory over the third-placed Pandas in yesterday's afternoon thriller at King's Park. Leading an eight-hit Blackhawk attack, Vas connected three times in as many trips to the plate, including a stinging double in the fourth chapter, to drive in three runs.

In yesterday's twilight game at 5 p.m. fans and players alike were treated to some excellent ball-playing as the visiting gobs from the USS Shangri-la lost a heart-breaking 2-1 decision to a Hongkong Softball Association selection in a fast-moving tussle. Mound ace Vic Pedruco and "Goose" Wong shared hurling duties for the local side, while speedballer Wisdom toiled the whole distance for the visitors.

Of the other Men's Senior "A" games decided yesterday, the leading Braves beat the US Navy 8-5, while South China accounted for the collarless Chinese Athletics 6-3.

On the distaff section, the youthful Colleens won the Junior Ladies' Championship with a convincing 25-15 count over the Overseas Lassies. Comely "Ding" Orazio paved the way for a Colleen victory with a masterful four-in-five effort at the plate while teammate sister, Cecilia Orazio followed closely with a homer and a single in five trips to the box.

Veteran ballhawk Ollie Vas, formerly of Madcap fame, celebrated his return to diamond activities with a brilliant three-in-three effort at the plate to carry the Blackhawks through to a narrow 6-4 triumph over the Hongkong Pandas. Besides driving in three runs with his timely hits, Vas himself dented the rubber twice to claim top honours in this key tussle.

### INITIAL CANTO

Jumping into the lead in the initial canto, lead-off batter Robert Nunes worked a free pass to first, advanced on an infield out and scored on a costly fumble at the keystone.

With the Pandas still retiring on one-two-three orders in the second frame, the youthful Blackhawks sneaked in another tally when Robert Remedios doubled, stole second and scored on a "Texas Leaguer" over short from Ollie Vas' hickory.

### Britisher Wins Tour Of Sicily Motor Race

Palermo, Sicily, Apr. 8. Peter Collins, of Britain, driving a works Ferrari, snatched a brilliant victory in the 971 miles Tour of Sicily motor race today.

Piero Taruffi of Italy, driving a Maserati, led Collins by eight minutes with 190 miles to go, but the British driver overtook him and won with a record average speed of 108 decimal 020 kilometres (67 decimal 1 miles) per hour.

Taruffi, who had set up the previous best mark for the race with 105 decimal 008 kilometres (65 decimal 8 miles) per hour last year, was second 53 seconds behind Collins. His speed was 107 decimal 011 kilometres (66 decimal 5 miles) per hour.—Reuter.

The Pandas threatened in the top of the third as opening batter Willie Woo singled through short, followed rapidly by a break bunt-hit to place two on. A Chen then hit a drive towards short to retire Woo at third for the first out. But brilliant ball-playing in the Hawk infield squashed the rally as Jimmy Shen and Eddie Tao were nipped at first to retire the side.

Coming back with a vengeance in their half of the third, the powerful Hawks unleashed a three-hit barrage on losing hurler Chen, including a double by Ollie Vas, for three more runs to put the game on ice. With two outs and two "ducks in the pond", ballhawk Vas punched a solid double to centrefield for two runs. Two more consecutive bingles of the bats of Robert Nunes and Mike Gann, then saw Vas scamper over the pan to let the scorecard read 5-0 in the Hawks' favour.

### FIFTH FRAME

The fifth frame saw the Pandas come to life as the Hawk defence fell into a lull to yield four runs and allow their opponents to breathe down the necks. Leading off, F. Chang singled to the right-hand quarter and advanced on an infield miscue giving R. Chen a life. Another infield fumble loaded the sacks while a costly walk by Barretto put Chang across for the Pandas' initial tally. A wild leave blended disastrously with another fumble for two more Pandas tallies. Clutch hitter Raymond Tsao then puffed a lead smash through short for the fourth run and two flies ended the inning.

Hawk hero Ollie Vas accounted for the necessary insurance run in the bottom half of the sixth with a drive through the box, advanced on another single, pilfered third base and scored on a sacrifice.

In their last-ditch effort at bat the Pandas threw their "all" into the game to load the sacks after two outs with veteran Y. S. Liang stepping into the box to add the finishing touches with anything ranging from a single to a home-run. But the youthful Hawks were not to be robbed of this decision, and facing a two-and-two pitch, Y. S. Liang struck out for a most dramatic ending, leaving the Hawks victors with a 6-4 count.

### Association's Selection 2 Shangri-la 1

In a thrilling nine-inning exhibition game, the Association's Selection 2 beat the Pandas 2-1.

## CHAMPION IN TRAINING



Miss Ann Long of Hford, Empire Games 3 Metre Springboard Champion, 1955 ASA Highboard Champion and Olympic Games representative, seen with her coach Cyril Laxton, at Ironmonger Row Baths where she and other swimmers and divers have begun training for the Olympic Games.—Central Express Photo.

## HALF MILE RECORD BROKEN AGAIN BY KEITH BURCH

By "RECORDER"

On his farewell appearance in Colony athletics, Lt. Keith Burch of the Essex Regiment lowered his own Colony record in the Half Mile to 2 minutes 0.5 seconds at the Land Forces' Championships at Boundary Street on Saturday.

Conditions were far from favourable, it being far too hot and sticky, and in the circumstances it was asking too much to see a Half Mile run under two minutes. Burch also won the Mile in 4.32.6 from Cpl. Alan Smith of the King's Own (4.36.1) and Gnr. Wheathe, who upheld 173 Loc. Bty. traditions in this event with a surprise third place in approximately 4.39.

Pte. Peat of the North Staffs was second in the Half in 2:04.7 and Pte. Joyce, also of the North Staffs, came through with his best middle distance performance in coming third in 2:06.0.

The 440 Yards, as expected, was won by Cpl. John Bailey of the North Staffs who equalled Lt. Sweeney's Land Forces and Boundary Street record of 52.8 seconds. Lt. Clement of the Northampton was a surprise second in a fast for Boundary Street and the weather of 53.9 seconds as the others in a fast on paper field trailed in mediocre times.

Cln. Williams of REME/North Staffs won both sprints, the 100 in 10.3 and the 220 in 23.3, equalling the Land Forces record held by Lt. Sweeney in the longer sprint.

### BEST PERFORMANCE

Best performance of the day came from Cln. Bailey of 3 Supply Depot, RASC, whose 182 feet 6 inches in the Javelin Throw ranks him 19th throughout the British Commonwealth and Empire for the current year.

Best in the United Kingdom this year, where there have been many more early spring meetings than in previous years, is 189 feet by Colin Smith. Capt. John Hunter, of the British Military Hospital, made good acquaintance with all three steps of the victory stand as he won the High Jump, Long Jump and Hop, Step and Jump, came second in the 100 Yards in a good 10.3 and in the 220 Yards Hurdles in 10.7, and third in the Pole Vault.

Outside of Brandy's Javelin Throw and Capt. Hunter's Long Jump of 21 feet 10 inches in the preliminary round, field event performances were below the

## BATTLE FOR THE ASHES

# Can England Win The Rubber For The Third Successive Time?

London, Apr. 9.

A stern fight by Australia to prevent England gaining a hat trick of "Ashes" wins and another absorbing struggle for the County Championship should provide a spate of excellent cricket this summer.

The battle for the Ashes will be predominant in everyone's mind but Surrey, led by dynamic Stuart Surridge, will claim much attention by their efforts to win the Championship for the fifth successive time and set up the longest sequence of outright wins.

This time Australia come as challengers. England wrested the honours from them at the Oval in 1953 and, thanks mainly to the grand fast bowling of Frank Tyson and Brian Statham, the superb batting of Peter May and Colin Cowdrey, and the able captaincy of Len Hutton retained the Ashes in Australia in 1954-55.

Can England win the rubber for the third successive time? That is the intriguing question. When England retained the Ashes by three wins to one and one drawn on their last tour, Australian cricket was considered by many to be in a bad way and that it would take a long time to recover.

Australia's answer to this was quickly given when they left for the West Indies a few weeks later and subsequently won the Test series three-nil, with two drawn.

### A NARROW WIN

England a year earlier had to fight hard to share the rubber with the West Indies, and last summer they could squeeze out only a narrow win against South Africa.

Since then a big hole has been left in the top of England's batting by the retirement of Len Hutton and the extreme doubtfulness about the fitness of Denis Compton, still recovering from a knee operation.

Obviously the batting will have to be built around May and Cowdrey. Some people, Hutton among them, have advocated that these two should open the innings. That would be a most risky step and one which the selectors may take only if the performance of regular County opening batsmen offer no solution.

Should some of the experienced players like John Innes, Reg Simpson or Frank Lawton touch their bats for the first time, then one of them would be given a chance, along with talented youngsters like Peter Richardson and Brian Close, who did well in Pakistan.

With May and Cowdrey to follow in their normal places at three and four, the batting would be a formidable one.

### WEALTH OF TALENT

There would be a wealth of talent available for the last six places. Four, look to be filled already with Tyson and Statham, the fast bowlers, who mauled Australia last time. All-rounder Trevor Bailey and wicketkeeper Geoffrey Evans, who would be strong rivals as left-arm slow bowlers, and Appleby, Laker and Tinnus, are outstanding among the host of present-day offspinners.

England are not likely to look beyond May as captain. He showed his qualities of leadership last summer. On him rests the responsibility of knitting the side together and to attain a high standard of fielding at which the Australians and the South Africans set such a splendid example.

The Australian selectors have taken great pains to build a side which they feel will be able to master the menace of England's speed attack.

The general pattern of the Australian batting looks like being a careful steady start followed by attacking play once the position has been established. The task of Colin McDonald, Len Hoadley, John McHardy and Jim Burke, is clear. They must take the speed out of England's early onslaught and pave the way for Neil Harvey, Keith Miller and Richie Benaud, powerful hitters who can pulverise a tired attack.

### A SPEED BATTLE

So much do the Australians believe that the series is likely to develop into a speed battle that they have brought an array of fast or fast-medium bowlers which has practically committed them to relying on this form of attack.

Australia are certain to shine in the field, where they nearly always have a big pull over England, and their batting may be stronger but England look to have a superior, all-round attack.

The Australians will probably "steam roller" their way through most of the counties, but an exciting Test series is expected wherever they play.—China Mail Special.

## JAMAICA TO DEFEND 1,600 METRES RELAY TITLE AT MELBOURNE

Kingston, Jamaica, Apr. 9.

Conflicting views among Jamaican track officials as to the wisdom of sending a team to the 16th World Olympiad, opening in Melbourne on November 22, have been settled by a decision to send a team of about eight.

Officials who argued against participation in the Games based their opposition on two grounds:

1. Jamaica, they argued, had established a great reputation in the 400 Metres and 1,600 Metres Relay and at present cannot find athletes of the calibre of Herb McKenley and George Rhoden to maintain that reputation.

2. Jamaica will not this year be able to get as adequate financial help from the Government as it had received in the past, because the Government had granted huge sums of money to various forms of sport during the island's Tercentenary celebration last year.

### NOT BY DEFAULT

Officials who were in favour of sending a team argued that victory is not the main concept of the Olympic Games. They said that it would be a discredit to Jamaica to lose by default the 400 Metres and 1,600 Metres titles, won at Helsinki in 1952.

On the question of finance, they declared that they believed that the Government could be persuaded to help, provided that the controlling body, the Jamaica Olympic Association, showed initiative in thinking of ways and means of raising money.

The team would include a relay squad, a reserve relay runner, a field athlete, a manager and a coach.

Only one member of the team which won the Helsinki 1,600 Metres Relay in 3 minutes 3.9 seconds, which was a record and an Olympic best ever time, is available. He is George Rhoden, who has been out of competitive athletics for the past two years and is now employed as a physio-therapist at the Cedars of Lebanon Hospital in California, United States.

Rhoden is keen on going to Melbourne to defend the 400 Metres title which he won at Helsinki in 45.9 seconds. He is already in training and has this year run two metric quarters under 47.6 seconds.

Arthur Wint, now a doctor at the University College of the West Indies, has retired from athletics, while Herb McKenley has turned professional and is now employed as Supervisor of Athletics in Jamaica. Les Laing, the fourth member of the Olympic record-setting team, has also retired from the track. He is taking his B.Sc. degree in agronomy in the United States.

### NONE TOO RUSTY

With the loss of these stars, the prospects of the Jamaican team to Melbourne are none too rosy. Rhoden will no doubt run the anchor leg, though it is doubtful whether he can repeat his 45.2 seconds of the 1952 Games.

Two other likely members of the quartet are the twins, Melvin and Malcolm Spence. Both, these runners, now in

Jamaica, are doing regular times of 47.5 seconds over 400 Metres. Keith Gardner, who is in the United States on a scholarship studying surveying, should fill the fourth place. His best time so far is 47 seconds flat.

Gardner is an all-rounder who won the 110 Metres Hurdles at the Empire Games in Vancouver.

The field athlete who may make the trip is 18-year-old E. Haisley. Using the obsolete cello style, he is now clearing 6 feet 6 inches and is being coached by Herb McKenley, who believes that he can get him to 6 feet 10 inches by the time the Olympic Games are on.—China Mail Special.

### French Badminton Tournay

## Indian Player Beaten In Singles Final

Paris, Apr. 8.

India's Bahree defeated Britain's A. J. Walker, who abandoned the match after the score of 17-18, 15-5, in the semi-final of the Men's Singles of the French International Badminton Championships here today. Later Britain's G. E. Rowland in the final, defeated Bahree 15-3, 15-5.

Bahree and C. L. Yapp (Malaya) beat G. E. Rowland and J. R. Stanford 15-10, 15-10 in the semi-finals of the Men's Doubles.

P. B. Branshaw and A. J. Mallone beat the Malayan pair, O. K. Lim and M. S. Yong 15-10, 15-10 in the other semi-final of the Men's Doubles.

Bahree and C. L. Yapp won the Men's Doubles, beating P. B. Branshaw (England) and A. J. Mallone (Scotland) 15-7, 15-4. In the Mixed Doubles, Bahree and Miss A. Durr (Britain) lost in the final to Miss M. B. Forrester and Malone (Scotland) by 15-10, 15-5.—France-Press.

## American Wins Egyptian Golf Tourney

Alexandria, Egypt, Apr. 8.

Paul Harney, of the United States, won the Egyptian Match Play Golf Championship here today, defeating Frank Phillips (Australia) 10 and 9 in the 36 holes final.

He had led by five strokes after the morning round on the windyway Smooth Sports Club Course.—Reuter.

## Nominate YOUR Hongkong Footballer Of The Year

Members of the public are invited to nominate Hongkong's Footballer of the Year for the current season.

It is a popularity poll organised by the China Mail, and nomination coupons will be accepted until the closing date to be announced later.

The two qualifications for nomination are:

- (1) Footballing prowess
- (2) Sportsmanship on the field of play

Nominations should be addressed to the Editor, China Mail, Wyndham Street.

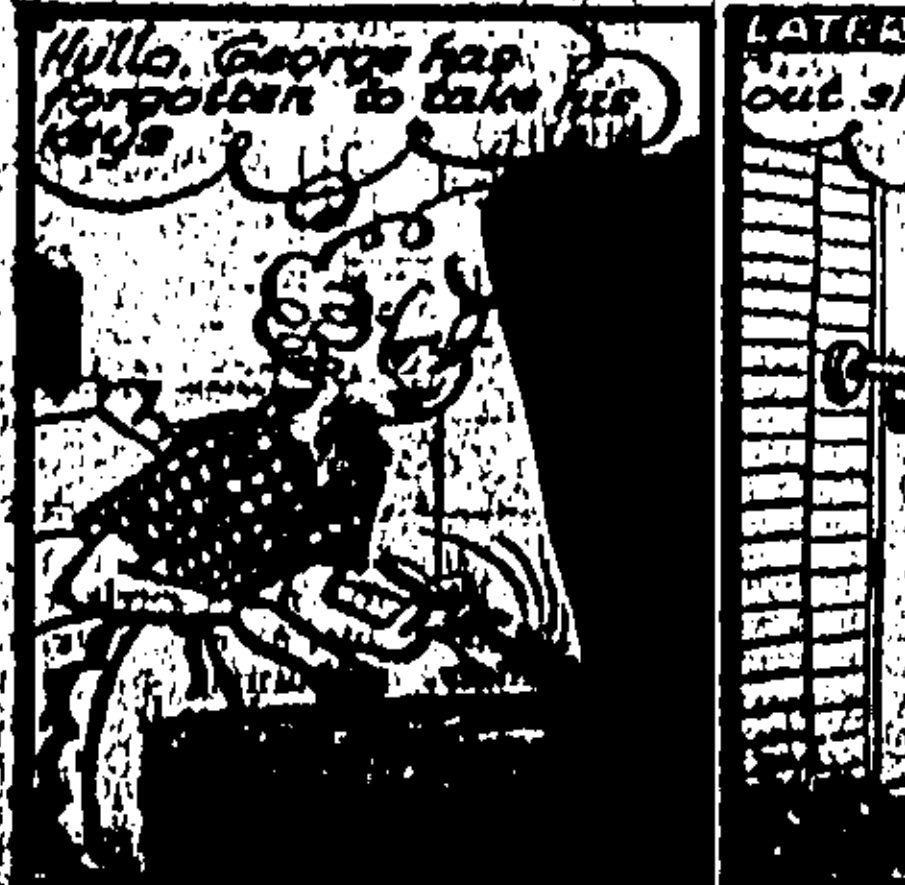
To the Editor, China Mail.

My nomination for Hongkong's Footballer of the Year, taking into regard his playing ability and his sportsmanship on the field of play is

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## THE GAMBOLES



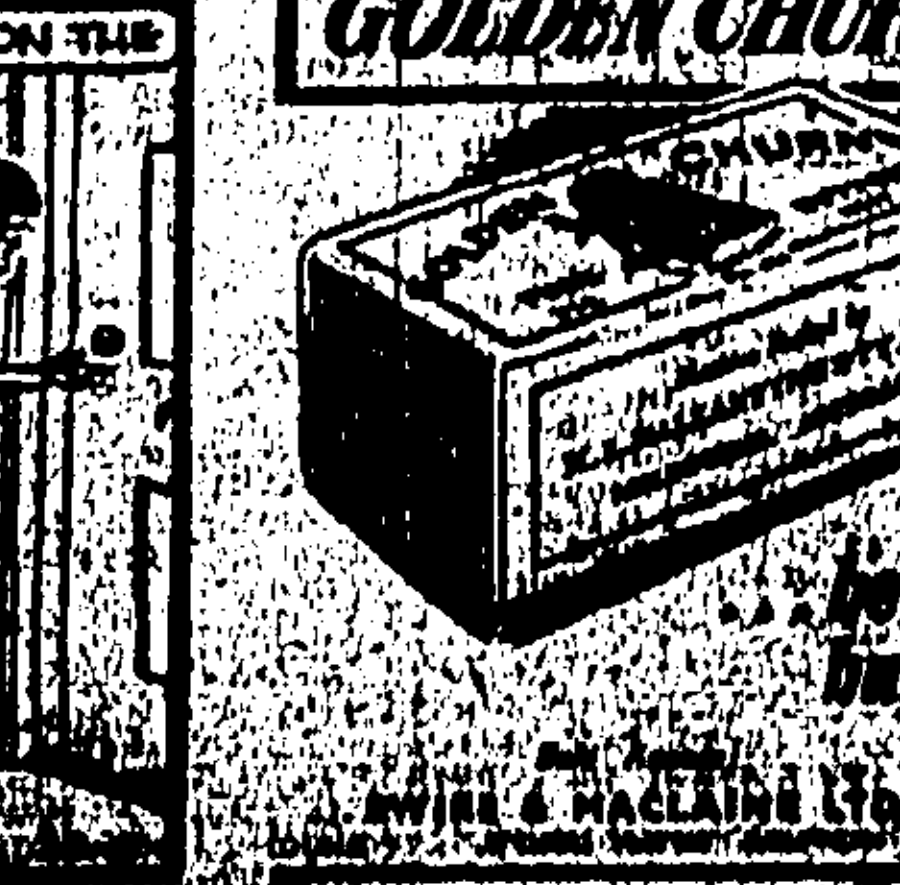
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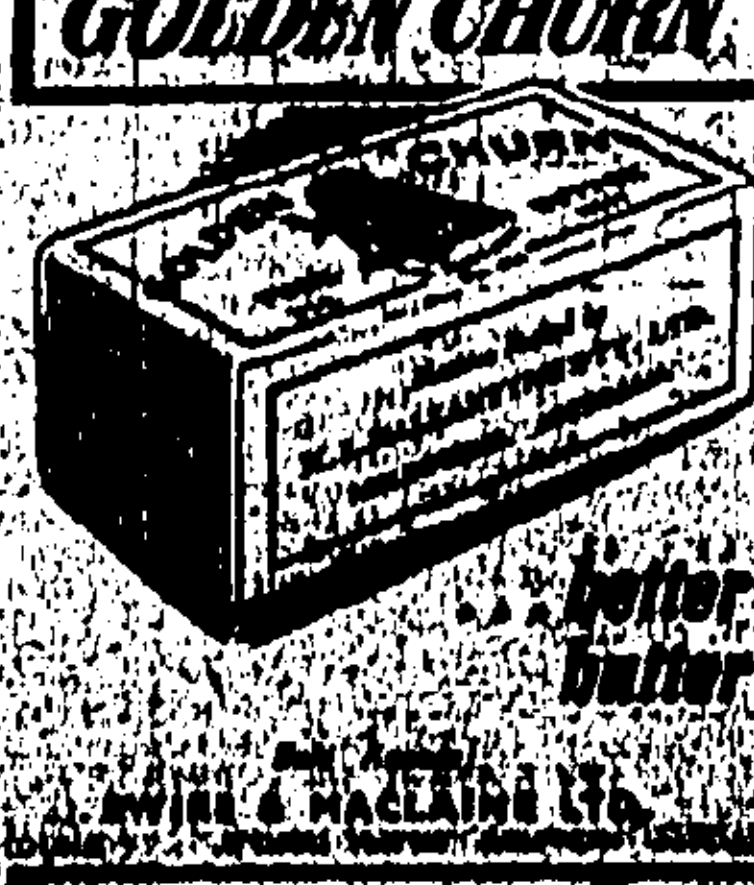
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## GOLDEN CHURN





Hongkong Beat  
Singapore 6-2

Singapore, Apr. 8. Hongkong again outplayed Singapore Amateur Football Association selection by six goals to two in a friendly soccer match today.

S.A.F.A. started well by taking the lead with a goal scored by Ibrahim Masnor but Hongkong soon equalized through their winger, Mok Chun-wah.

Three goals scored in a row by Lau Chi-lam gave Hongkong a 4-1 lead at half-time.

Singapore fought back at the start of the second half and reduced the deficit through Masnor but their rally was brief and Hongkong scored two more goals through Lau (two from a penalty and through Chu Wing-keung).—Reuter.

Home Soccer  
Standings

London, Apr. 7. Football League standings after today's matches were as follows:

| First Division | W  | D  | L  | F  | A  | Pts |
|----------------|----|----|----|----|----|-----|
| Manchester Utd | 24 | 9  | 7  | 60 | 49 | 57  |
| Blackpool      | 20 | 10 | 10 | 57 | 47 | 50  |
| Birmingham     | 17 | 13 | 10 | 53 | 45 | 47  |
| Manchester C   | 16 | 10 | 12 | 50 | 42 | 46  |
| Arsenal        | 16 | 10 | 12 | 50 | 42 | 46  |
| Bolton         | 16 | 10 | 12 | 50 | 42 | 46  |
| Wolves         | 16 | 10 | 12 | 50 | 42 | 46  |
| Newcastle      | 16 | 10 | 12 | 50 | 42 | 46  |
| Burnley        | 16 | 10 | 12 | 50 | 42 | 46  |
| Luton Town     | 16 | 10 | 12 | 50 | 42 | 46  |
| Portsmouth     | 16 | 10 | 12 | 50 | 42 | 46  |
| Charlton       | 16 | 10 | 12 | 50 | 42 | 46  |
| West Bromwich  | 16 | 10 | 12 | 50 | 42 | 46  |
| Derby          | 16 | 10 | 12 | 50 | 42 | 46  |
| Sunderland     | 16 | 10 | 12 | 50 | 42 | 46  |
| Preston        | 16 | 10 | 12 | 50 | 42 | 46  |
| Cardiff        | 16 | 10 | 12 | 50 | 42 | 46  |
| Sheff Wed      | 16 | 10 | 12 | 50 | 42 | 46  |
| Tottenham      | 16 | 10 | 12 | 50 | 42 | 46  |
| Aston Villa    | 16 | 10 | 12 | 50 | 42 | 46  |
| Huddersfield   | 16 | 10 | 12 | 50 | 42 | 46  |

| Second Division | W  | D  | L | F  | A  | Pts |
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| Wendnesday      | 19 | 12 | 7 | 59 | 51 | 51  |
| Reading         | 19 | 12 | 7 | 59 | 51 | 51  |
| Leeds           | 19 | 12 | 7 | 59 | 51 | 51  |
| North Forest    | 19 | 12 | 7 | 59 | 51 | 51  |
| Grimsby         | 19 | 12 | 7 | 59 | 51 | 51  |
| Blackburn       | 19 | 12 | 7 | 59 | 51 | 51  |
| Port Vale       | 19 | 12 | 7 | 59 | 51 | 51  |
| Liverpool       | 19 | 12 | 7 | 59 | 51 | 51  |
| Leicester       | 19 | 12 | 7 | 59 | 51 | 51  |
| Swansea         | 19 | 12 | 7 | 59 | 51 | 51  |
| Fulham          | 19 | 12 | 7 | 59 | 51 | 51  |
| Lincoln         | 19 | 12 | 7 | 59 | 51 | 51  |
| Sheff Utd       | 19 | 12 | 7 | 59 | 51 | 51  |
| West Ham        | 19 | 12 | 7 | 59 | 51 | 51  |
| Bury            | 19 | 12 | 7 | 59 | 51 | 51  |
| Middlesbrough   | 19 | 12 | 7 | 59 | 51 | 51  |
| Doncaster       | 19 | 12 | 7 | 59 | 51 | 51  |
| Rotherham       | 19 | 12 | 7 | 59 | 51 | 51  |
| Barnsley        | 19 | 12 | 7 | 59 | 51 | 51  |
| Sheff Hallam    | 19 | 12 | 7 | 59 | 51 | 51  |
| Plymouth        | 19 | 12 | 7 | 59 | 51 | 51  |
| Hull City       | 19 | 12 | 7 | 59 | 51 | 51  |

| Third Division (North) | W  | D  | L | F  | A  | Pts |
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| Leigh Orient           | 21 | 11 | 6 | 60 | 41 | 53  |
| Brighton               | 21 | 11 | 6 | 60 | 41 | 53  |
| Spelthorpe             | 21 | 11 | 6 | 60 | 41 | 53  |
| Coventry               | 21 | 11 | 6 | 60 | 41 | 53  |
| Northwich              | 21 | 11 | 6 | 60 | 41 | 53  |
| Torquay                | 21 | 11 | 6 | 60 | 41 | 53  |
| Norwich                | 21 | 11 | 6 | 60 | 41 | 53  |
| Brentford              | 21 | 11 | 6 | 60 | 41 | 53  |
| Northampton            | 21 | 11 | 6 | 60 | 41 | 53  |
| Colchester             | 21 | 11 | 6 | 60 | 41 | 53  |
| Bournemouth            | 21 | 11 | 6 | 60 | 41 | 53  |
| Southampton            | 21 | 11 | 6 | 60 | 41 | 53  |
| Shrewsbury             | 21 | 11 | 6 | 60 | 41 | 53  |
| Gillingham             | 21 | 11 | 6 | 60 | 41 | 53  |
| Aldershot              | 21 | 11 | 6 | 60 | 41 | 53  |
| Walsley                | 21 | 11 | 6 | 60 | 41 | 53  |
| Q. P. R.               | 21 | 11 | 6 | 60 | 41 | 53  |
| Exeter                 | 21 | 11 | 6 | 60 | 41 | 53  |
| Walsley                | 21 | 11 | 6 | 60 | 41 | 53  |
| Newport                | 21 | 11 | 6 | 60 | 41 | 53  |
| Crystal Palace         | 21 | 11 | 6 | 60 | 41 | 53  |
| Swindon                | 21 | 11 | 6 | 60 | 41 | 53  |
| Millwall               | 21 | 11 | 6 | 60 | 41 | 53  |

| Third Division (South) | W  | D  | L | F  | A  | Pts |
|------------------------|----|----|---|----|----|-----|
| Derby County           | 22 | 10 | 5 | 68 | 42 | 54  |
| Grimsby                | 22 | 10 | 5 | 68 | 42 | 54  |
| Southport              | 22 | 10 | 5 | 68 | 42 | 54  |
| Hartlepool             | 22 | 10 | 5 | 68 | 42 | 54  |
| Accrington             | 22 | 10 | 5 | 68 | 42 | 54  |
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| Hearts              | 22 | 11 | 5 | 68 | 42 | 54  |
| Aberdeen            | 22 | 11 | 5 | 68 | 42 | 54  |
| Hibernian           | 22 | 11 | 5 | 68 | 42 | 54  |
| Celtic              | 22 | 11 | 5 | 68 | 42 | 54  |
| Queen of South      | 22 | 11 | 5 | 68 | 42 | 54  |
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| Scottish League "B" | W  | D  | L | F  | A  | Pts |
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| Queen's Park        | 22 | 11 | 5 | 68 | 42 | 54  |
| Ayr United          | 22 | 11 | 5 | 68 | 42 | 54  |
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| Scottish League "C" | W  | D  | L | F  | A  | Pts |
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WORLD TABLE TENNIS  
HK'S CHUNG CHIN-SING  
ENTERS FOURTH ROUND  
IN MEN'S OPEN SINGLES

Tokyo, Apr. 9.

The following are the results of third-round matches in Men's Singles play in the 23rd World Table Tennis Championships:

Richard Miles (US) 10 thras  
US National Champion, beat  
G. J. Jennings (Australia)  
21-10, 21-12, 21-8.  
Chung Chin-sing (Hongkong)  
beat Vyas (India) 21-14, 21-23,  
21-14, 21-10.—United Press.

## EARLIER RESULTS

Following are additional results in  
the World Table Tennis Championships:

MEN SINGLES  
(First Round)  
Koji Kodama (Japan) beat  
Mauritz Dieter (Germany) 21-13,  
21-10, 21-19.  
Bernard Bukiet of the U.S. beat  
Yong J. Hsu of China 21-10, 21-10,  
21-12.  
Koji Hirose of Japan beat A. A.  
Robinson of Australia 21-13, 21-10,  
21-15.  
Tiberiu Harangozu of Romania beat  
Manuel Carvalho of Portugal 22-20,  
21-10, 21-14.

(Second Round)  
Shiro Mochizuki of Japan beat  
Michele Popescu of Romania 21-14,  
21-10, 21-17.  
Nathan Gentner beat Alberto Lo  
Portugal 21-12, 21-11, 21-10.  
Conny Freudenberger of Germany  
beat Jose Balazs of the P.R. 21-10,  
21-13, 21-11.  
Ichiro Ogihara of Japan beat Tar  
Huang Meng of Singapore 21-10,  
21-8, 21-19.

Vladimir Terebin of Czechoslovakia  
beat Tadeusz Kuc of Communist  
China 21-10, 22-20, 21-15.  
Nagasaki of India beat Costa Bro  
of Sweden 21-9, 21-12, 21-4.  
Kazuo Kawai of Japan beat Sh  
Bu-chu of Hongkong 21-17, 21-19,  
21-17.  
Kim Chin Do of Korea beat Loh  
Hong Ching of Singapore 21-11, 21-12,  
21-20.

Foshiaki Tanaka of Japan beat  
Kim Doh Yoon of Korea 21-15,  
21-11, 21-8.  
Ivan Andrejts of Czechoslovakia  
beat Chung Chin-sing of Communist  
China 21-15, 21-17.

Richard Miles of the U.S. beat  
Brian Kennedy of England 10-21,  
21-18, 21-16, 17-21, 21-19.  
Richard Miles of the U.S. beat  
beat Tien Ching-hong of Hongkong  
22-20, 21-14, 21-5.

China beat Josef Seifritz of Germany  
21-13, 21-10, 21-10.

MEN'S DOUBLES  
(Second Round)  
Tatsuo Tsuno and Akio Nishira of  
Japan beat Brian Kennedy and  
Richard Miles of the U.S. 21-10,  
21-18, 21-16, 17-21, 21-19.

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10th April 1956, at 4.15 p.m. going  
to Rosary Chapel and after the  
service to St. Paul's Catholic  
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# SCIENCE & ENGINEERING

## REMOTE CASH REGISTER

A REVOLUTIONARY system of remote cash registration and analysis, which is not only less expensive than the orthodox system of cash registers but is claimed to reduce the clerical staff by over 50 per cent, has been patented by Rentrix Ltd, Grosvenor Place, London, SW1.

In large stores it is normally necessary to employ a large clerical staff to analyse the transactions, which have taken place in the different departments.

The Rentrix electro-mechanical system, however, provides the store management with a

## Mail Notices

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### MONDAY, APRIL 9

By Air:  
Formosa, Japan, U.S.A., 9 p.m.  
Burma, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Great Britain, Europe, & Africa, 6 p.m.  
By Surface:  
Indonesia, 4 p.m.  
Thailand, 4 p.m.  
Macao, 9 p.m.

### TUESDAY, APRIL 10

By Air:  
Phakong, 10 a.m.  
Peking, Shanghai, Kuning, Hankow, 10 a.m.  
India, China, France, 11 a.m.  
Guam, Hawaii, 2 p.m.  
Malaya, 2 p.m.  
Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, 2 p.m.  
Philippines, 8 p.m.  
Thailand, Burma, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, Europe, 6 p.m.  
By Surface:  
China, People's Republic, 10.30 a.m.  
East Africa, 5 p.m.  
U.S. & S. America, 5 p.m.  
Australia, 11 a.m.  
Malaya, Ceylon, Aden, Middle East, Great Britain & Europe, 11 a.m.  
India, China, Pakistan (Portuguese India, Persia via Karachi), Ngon, Macao, 2 p.m.  
Korea, 2 p.m.  
West Africa, Persia via Lagos & Gold Coast, Persia via Aden, 3 p.m.  
Macao, 9 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11

By Surface:  
China, People's Republic, 10.30 a.m.  
North Borneo, 11 a.m.  
Macao, 1 p.m.  
Japan, 1 p.m.  
Macao, 9 p.m.

### THURSDAY, APRIL 12

By Surface:  
China, People's Republic, 10.30 a.m.  
Malaya, Burma, India, 1 p.m.  
Macao, 1 p.m.  
India, China, 2 p.m.  
Korea, 2 p.m.  
Macao, 9 p.m.

## Radio Hongkong

H.K.T.  
8. Time Signal and Programme Summary; 9.55 Stock Market Report; 10.55 Peter's Party (Studio); 11.30, Australian Magazine; 12.45, News; 1.15, The Girl at the Origin (GB); 2.15, Popular Classics; 2.30, "Viewpoint" A Weekly Magazine edited and introduced by Janet Tomblin; 2.55, Weather Report; 3. Time Signal and The News (1st Edition); 3.55, Commentary (London Relay); 4. Special Announcement; 4.15, Evening Show; 4.30, David's Report (Studio); 4.55, The Girl at the Origin (GB); 5.30, The Laugh of the Party; 5.55, A Concert by the Staffordshire Chamber Group; 6.15, Interview with Harry Secombe and Spike Milligan in "The Missing Scroll"; 6.45, The Saturday Night Show (DBTS); 7.15, Ray Martin and his Orchestra; 7.45, Weather Report; 8.15, Fine Musical Radio News; 8.45, The Laugh of the Party; 9.15, Goodnight Music; 11.30, Close Down.

## REDIFFUSION

2 p.m., Variety Calls. 3.30, Time; 3.30, Crime Does Not Pay—Starring Harold Vermilyea; 3.55, Music by Lopez with Guest Artists; 4. Romance of the World—Story of Desire, Queen of Sweden; 4.15, Tea for Two; 4.30, Strictly Instrumental; 5. Children's Corner—Conducted by Aurèle Patricia; 5.55, Jeannette Piry; 7. Personality Parade—Cliff Edwards; 7.15, Special Spotlight Interview with Mr. Samuel Goldwyn; 7.30, Eddie Fisher with Axel Stordahl's Orchestra and the Fontaine Sisters; 7.45, The Final Year; 8. Time Signal and the News; 8.55, Weather Report; 9.15, News; 9.30, Monday Concert Hour. (All-Besthoven Programme) "Lancers Overture No. 2, Op. 15" (played by Vienna Symphonic Orchestra of Radio Berlin, conducted by Franz Schwaiblmair); "Overture to 'The Merry Widow'" (played by the Vienna Symphonic Orchestra, conducted by Franz Schwaiblmair); "Symphony No. 1 in G, Op. 21" (played by the U.S.C. Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Leopold Stokowski); "Cello Concerto" (played by the U.S.C. Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Leopold Stokowski); "The Final Year" (played by the U.S.C. Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Leopold Stokowski).

## SURGICAL CAUTERY

For hospital use, a new heavy-duty surgical cautery, the "Oxy-Cautery," has been developed by Oxy Electrical Laboratories, Brighton, Sussex, England.

In this instrument a powerful miniature heating element is fitted inside the blade of a cautery. Great heat is thus produced at the end of the unit which comes in contact with the tissue, obviating any need for the surgeon to wait for more heat during the treatment. As the element is totally enclosed risk of explosion is minimized.

Export distribution is being handled by Anglo-Netherlands Technical Exchange Ltd, Tower Hill, London, EC3.

## 3 Years For Forger

A clerk employed by the Bank of Canton, was given three years by Judge H. H. B. How at Kowloon District Court this morning, for forgery.

The accused, Chung Kwai-hoi, alias Hui, 31, had defrauded his employer by means of three forged cheques drawn against the Bank of Canton to a total of \$269,000.

Of this amount, little over \$70,000 was recovered. The accused was a valuable household property and personal articles which had been bought out of the proceeds of the forgery.

Mr. Lawrence Leong, instructed by Mr. K. Y. Yung of Messrs Zimmern and Company, represented the accused, who pleaded guilty to three charges of forgery, three of uttering forged cheques, and a similar number of charges of falsification of accounts.

Inspector Askew, assisted by Inspector Hui, prosecuted.

## New Diesel Range Introduced In UK

An important event in the diesel traction industry is the introduction by Davy, Paxman and Company, Colchester, Essex, England for export markets of a series of four-stroke power units ranging from 710 to 2,000 brake horse power.

Each of the five engines in the YL series has the same bore and stroke. At present eight, 12, and 16-cylinder units are offered, either naturally aspirated or pressure-charged on Buchi principle.

High power output and low fuel consumption have necessitated four-valve cylinder heads and direct injection. Weight and dimensions are suitable for main-line locomotives weighing 115 to 125 lbs. bhp, the specific weight of the power units themselves being 10½ to 20 lbs. bhp. The engine gives speed and pressure equal to 125 bhp per cylinder, with an exhaust which is invisible over the whole working range from low fractional loads up to 10 per cent overload, and with an exhaust temperature not exceeding 520 degrees Centigrade.

### FIRING PRESSURE

The maximum firing pressure is only 950 lbs. per square inch. Fuel consumption is good and extremely even, varying only between the limits of 0.385 and 0.375 bhp hour all the way from 50 to 100 per cent load.

Features of the mechanical design include exceptional lateral and vertical rigidity of the framing, provision of separate galvanised water jackets round each cylinder liner to keep the cooling water from the welded steel frame four-valve heads with specially-divided inlet ports to give unidirectional swirl and good combustion, and a high degree of standardisation of parts.

Since about 75 per cent of all wearing constituents are both standard and interchangeable between the five engines, one stock of spares will meet all a railway's requirements from a heavy shunter to the largest main-line classes.

## BOTTLE CAPPING MACHINE

Now being produced by Autopack Limited, Caroline Street, Birmingham, 3, England, is a new machine by which metal and plastic caps of various types can be automatically screwed on to tops of bottles at speeds up to 130 per minute.

The machine has been designed for duty with existing flat-types of metal conveyors, or it can be supplied with its own type.

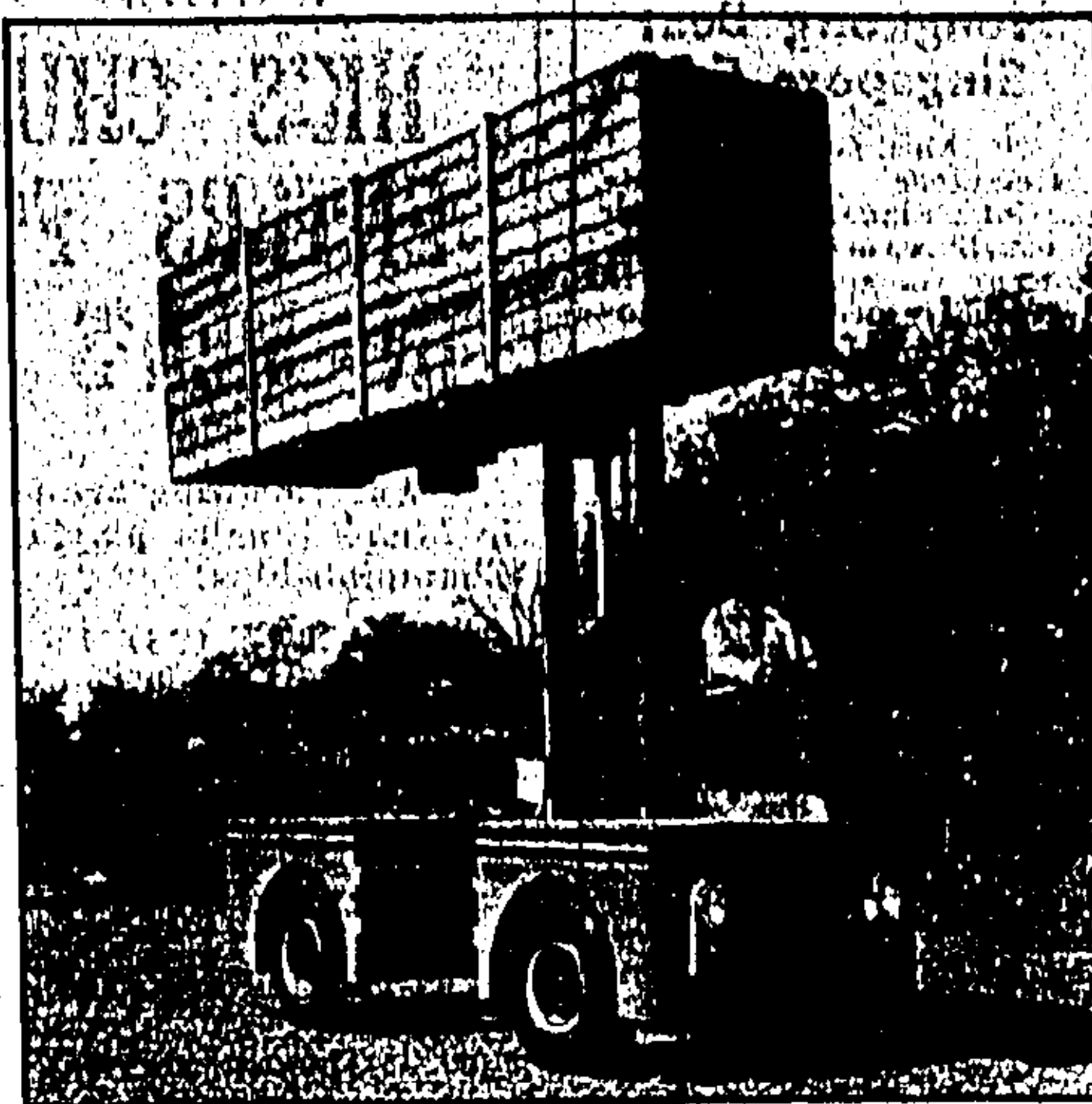
Only simple adjustments, it is stated, are needed to line up the machine with filling and labelling equipment.

The bottles travel on a conveyor beneath a head containing the cap applicator and tightening wheels.

So that light plastic caps may be screwed on without breaking, and metal ones clamped down lightly, there is provision for altering the tension of the tightening wheels.

If any cap being fed from the hopper to the cap applicator is delivered the wrong way up, a device stops the machine automatically.

And at certain stages in the machine, safety devices are incorporated so that it stops should a faulty cap or bottle pass through—coloured lights indicating the point of the trouble.



Case of machinery being loaded for transportation.

## Latest In Modern Fork-Lift Design

THE advantages of the modern fork-lift truck are becoming so universally known and appreciated that it is already regarded as an essential item of mechanical handling equipment in a wide range of industries.

As a safe, simple and speedy means of stacking and unstacking cube loads, and conveying them over short distances, it saves both time and money and therefore contributes to the economy and efficiency of any job for which it is suitable.

But this latter factor of suitability marks the limitations of the orthodox fork-lift truck, owing to a basic feature of its design.

Because it is built to carry its load transversely on the forks and across the front of the truck, it does not lend itself to handling long, bulky loads such as timber pipes, concrete posts, long crates, etc., firstly because the forks provide inadequate support for such loads, which

tend to become unbalanced, and secondly because it requires an open space or a wide aisle or gantry in which to operate, limitations which apart from its very low speed, also deprive it from carrying this kind of load on public highways.

A revolutionary feature, unique in this category of mechanical handling equipment, is embodied in the "Irlon" fork-lift carrier, in which the load is carried lengthways along the decks and equally disposed over all four wheels.

The machine can therefore operate in a gangway or aisle of little more than its own 6 ft width, thus effecting great economies in valuable storage space, and can travel on an open road with complete safety to its load and to other vehicles.

A glance at the accompanying photograph reveals at once the outstandingly practical advantages of this machine, which the makers justly describe as a carrier rather than a truck since it combines all the advantages of the latter with the facilities of a transport vehicle, for which reason it is fitted with oscillating front and rear lights and "winking" indicators, heavy duty pneumatic tyres and all the essential equipment of a modern road vehicle.

The mast assembly, situated in an open-sided well in the centre of the carrier, can be extended to the off-side and retracted to the near side, as required, by a large hydraulic ram, whilst a third ram enables the lifting forks on their carriage to be raised to any position between ground level and a maximum height of 10 ft in standard models. A higher mast assembly is also available to meet special requirements.

To lift a load, the "Irlon" is driven alongside it with the mast in the retracted position. The forks are then lowered to the level of the bolsters on which the load rests and the mast assembly is extended to the off-side, thus bringing the forks under the load, which is then raised to a height clear of the carrier's decks.

Finally, the mast assembly is retracted, the forks are lowered, and the load is deposited lengthways along the deck, the total weight being thus shared by both axles of the vehicle.

To unload, the procedure is reversed. The complete operation of loading or unloading takes about 40 seconds. A full load of 2,000 lbs. can be raised from ground level to a height of 10 ft in about 12 seconds.

When handling tubular loads, such as cylinders, pipes, posts, the forks can be extended so as to give the carrier a slight tilt from the loading side: the tubular units will then roll to the back of the forks, thus facilitating the work of stacking and unstacking while providing an even safety deck.

Overall measurements of the "Irlon" are: width 6 ft, height 8 ft 2 ins, length 13 ft 9 ins. The turning circle is 9 ft inside diameter.

The carrier can handle loads of 2½ or 3½ tons, with a maximum weight of 6,000 lbs at 24 in. load centres.

Fitted with hydraulic brakes on all four wheels, with a parking brake on the rear wheels, and powered by a Mercedes-Benz Diesel engine of 30 hp, it has an average speed of 11 mph.

The sole concessionaires for the "Irlon" in the United Kingdom and the British Commonwealth are Materials Handling Equipment (Great Britain) Ltd, 1, Chesham Road, London, W1.

## MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN



NIGHT, ON A TRAIN  
CROSSING THE PLAINS—  
MOST OF THE PASSENGERS  
ARE ASLEEP...

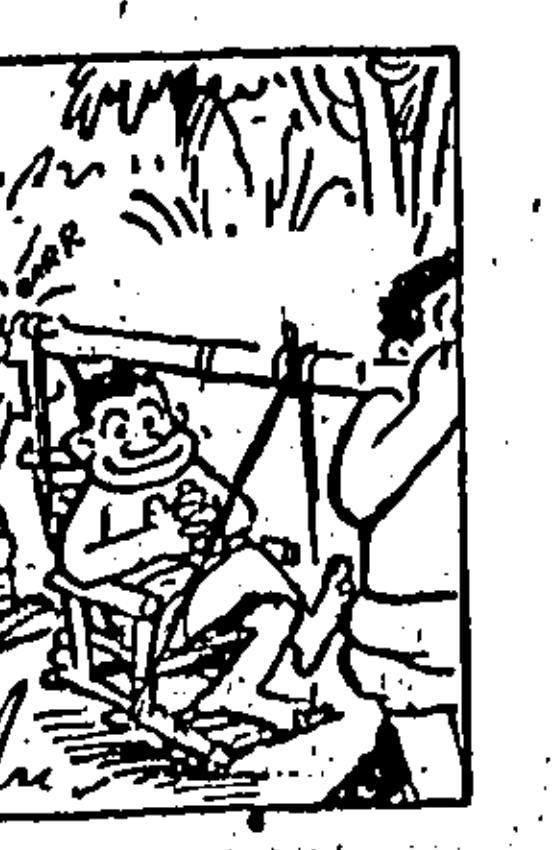
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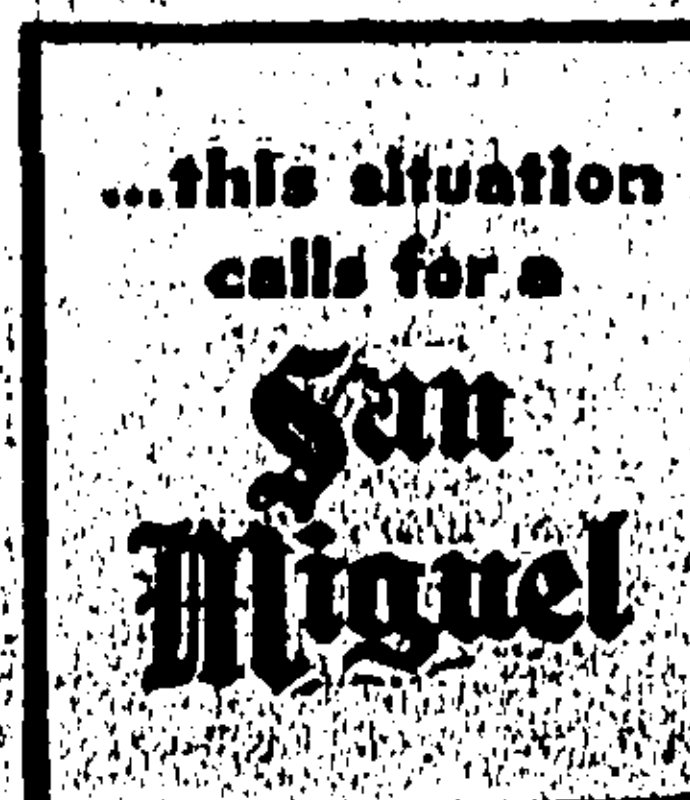
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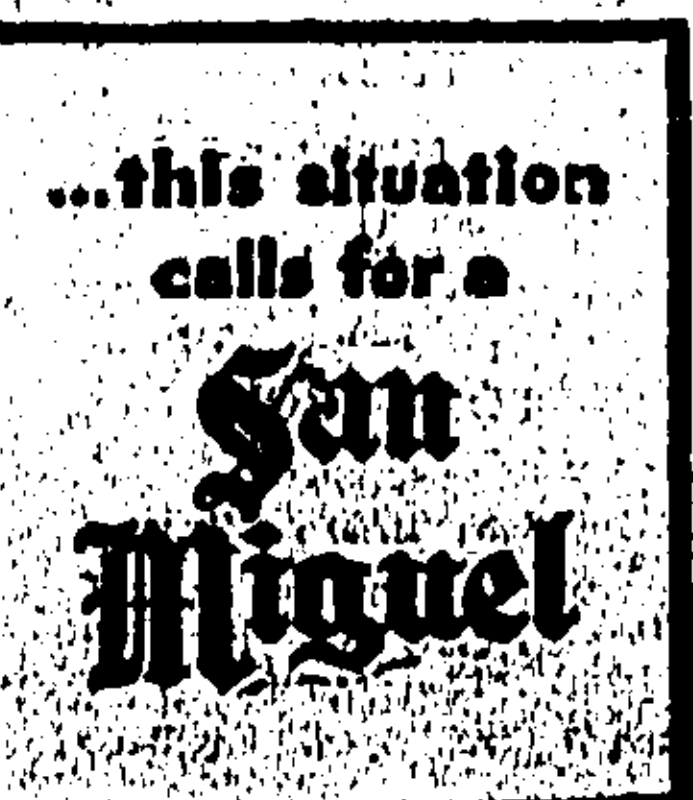
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## ...this situation calls for a San Miguel



## TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

## OUTPUT LAGGING BEHIND DEMAND

## NY COTTON MARKET REVIEW

By William T. Plunkett

New York, Apr. 8. Cotton futures trading this past week was on a note of buoyancy.

Prospects for a favourable compromise on the farm bill, possibly with rigid high supports, bestrode a broad evening movement in new crop months as the week ended.

At Friday's close the list ruled off 1 to 25 points, or off 5 cents a bale to up \$1.40 a bale from the preceding week.

Hopes for a compromise on the farm legislation, followed President Eisenhower's statement that he does not insist on perfection. Buyers drew encouragement from reports that the Administration might defeat the Democratic drive for rigid 90 per cent support by offering an 87 per cent compromise.

Pending the Presidential consideration after the bill is finally hammered out by Congress, the week showed more sales at the later part.

## CLIMAX

Next to waiting for a climax on the farm bill, the announcement on export policy for raw cotton which is imminent.

Department of Agriculture officials reportedly said the Government had decided to offer its cotton for overseas sale at competitive bidding.

Details of the programmes were expected to be issued over the week-end, or early next week. The government will offer to sell its stock for export in the world markets at competitive prices.

## US RAW COTTON EXPORTS

New York, Apr. 8. Raw cotton exports by destination as reported in sales by the New York Cotton Exchange for 1955-56 season to April 3 were as follows:

|                       |           |
|-----------------------|-----------|
| Britain               | 44,000    |
| Continental           | 34,173    |
| Orient                | 482,556   |
| Canada                | 125,561   |
| Total for season      | 1,227,189 |
| Same period last year | 2,670,407 |

\*Excluding India. —United Press.

## London Markets

## Enjoy Cheerful Week

By C. T. Hallinan

London, Apr. 8.

Despite the approach of the Budget—due ten days hence—stock markets have had a cheerful week with a moderate rise in industrials though the indices for British Government stocks and for gold shares were easier.

Chief factors were the strength of sterling—up over 1/4th pence—and the rise in the gold and dollar reserve, disclosed for March, amounting to 67 million dollars (biggest rise in two years). These were influences arising from outside the market, but they checked, at least for the time-being, the dreary thought that the credit squeeze must lower industrial earnings and reduce market values accordingly.

## Japs In Demand

Associated Electrical Industries had an annual meeting which, among other things, spread abroad the official view that Britain's consumption of electric power will double in the next 10 years; the shares jumped 8 shillings to a new high at 68 3/4.日立 (Hitachi) also rose 3s to 95 5/8, close to the peak. American demand lifted Dow Jones more than 1/2. Although the Conservative Government is pressing to get retail prices down, sceptics still

## IN UNITED STATES Industrial Machine Operating At Full Pressure

By JOHN MORKA

New York, Apr. 8.

U.S. investors, businessmen and the American public generally, were in a bullish mood last week as the fast-stepping U.S. industrial machine continued to operate in high gear.

Steel output was still lagging behind heavy demand, with no let up in sight. Stock prices again moved into new historical highs last week. And U.S. business will spend record sums this year to overhaul worn-out equipment and to install new cost-saving replacement. That will mean lots of jobs and work everywhere.

Personal income remains near record levels, with consumers still showing no disposition to ward cutting down on their buying habits. Employment meanwhile continues high. There were some soft spots. But no one was losing any sleep on that score. Among the depressed developments, last week production cutbacks and sporadic layoffs in the long-suffering auto industry; declining output in the radio and television industry; lagging home building, slumping income and continued political tensions in the Middle East and Asia.

## Soft Spots

On balance, however, these soft spots are more than outweighed by more positive developments. Thus, the bullish mood which appears to have developed American psychology of late shows no signs of easing. Americans by and large see one thing in their future: A prosperous one than they expected only a few short months ago when President Eisenhower's illness cast gloomy pall over the nation.

Many feel the stock market mirrors the overall confidence of private individuals and institutions towards next fall. For this reason, therefore, much importance is attached to the ups and downs of the market. Recent market setbacks—mostly of a minor nature—are generally ascribed to technical adjustments after almost six weeks of steady improvement.

These minor setbacks, it is held, contain no warning signals of any serious deterioration in the market's strength over the long-term, although many observers continue to stress that

prices can still be expected to reflect outside pressures such as disturbing political news. The Dow-Jones Industrials last week moved past the 518-mark under the impetus of a host of favourable developments.

## Among Reasons

Among the reasons advanced by the experts for the upward turn of stock prices are the following:

1. Excellent corporate news and business expansion plans.
2. The possibility that first quarter dividends and earnings will be better than expected.
3. Absence of speculative excesses, despite the strong advances of recent weeks.
4. The steady effect of investments by the so-called institutions which buy for the long-term.
5. Plentiful supplies of investment funds, most of which is ready to buy selected issues on minor dips in prices.
6. A predominance of cash buying on the market.
7. Overall confidence that the market is in a strong position to absorb the expected liquidation which is normal at this time of the year because of the need for raising cash for April 15 tax payments.

Share owners meanwhile are looking forward to a big dividend year. Some circles forecast a new record high for 1956 with gains ranging to over 10 per cent. In January, for example, disbursements were 12 per cent above the total for the corresponding months in 1955, and many look for the pattern to be carried out for the rest of the year as well.

Among the candidates for dividend increases are the following:

Sperry Rand, Sterling Drug, Amoco, Johns-Manville, American Machine & Foundry, United Airlines, Aluminum Co. of America, Hercules Powder, Republic Steel, U.S. Steel, Royal Dutch Petroleum, Standard Oil of New Jersey.

## Selective Nature

These are only a few of the many American companies expected to roll up big earnings totals this year. And, it is expected, they'll be most generous with their dividend payouts.

In assessing the market, many experts continue to stress its selective nature. The market, it is pointed out, is vulnerable to such non-economic factors as political tensions, and on this basis, many experts urge selected profit-taking from various blue-chips, which perhaps may have discounted the future too far ahead.

Many urge there the diversion of such funds, to secondary grade securities which afford a good yield at current prices or to securities with a better capital gains potential over the near term.

While there is some disagreement among the investor circles as to the short-term, there appears to be no as to the basic long-term outlook remains one of economic growth, it is felt. Some expect a levelling-out over the next month or two, but there is strong confidence that business activity will certainly turn faster in the second half.

Despite reduced auto production this year, the steel industry continues under heavy pressure to balance its books. It now appears that some steel consumers are growing as hard for deliveries in the third quarter as they are for the second quarter. It now looks as if the steel dollar project will stretch out over the year. The auto

industry, although it is turning out far fewer cars this year than in 1955, is still a big buyer. In the national metal working weekly, comments that the auto people expect to consume only slightly less steel than they did in record-breaking 1955.

## Steels Best

The publication now feels that steel-enjoying one of its best years—will probably turn out some 120-122 million tons this year. With steel earnings still their highest labour union will be putting lots of pressure on the industry for a wage boost. Reports are recurrent that the steel industry might seek a 9-a-ton price rise, possibly in July, after the conclusion of the labour negotiations. Iron Age, in its survey of earnings of 93 plants in the industry, shows steel earned by 72 per cent and net income rose 6 per cent in 1954 to 7.8 per cent in 1955.

In the auto industry, the news was mixed last week. The coming of good weather raised hopes that sales will finally begin their upward seasonal trend.

According to a top official of General Motors, the spring upturn will probably be bigger than usual because of the unusually inclement weather in March. William F. Hufstader, Vice President in charge of distribution, said the January-April upturn will come close to the 1955 pattern. The word means that retail deliveries would go well above 600,000 passenger cars and dealers would make substantial progress in reducing their heavy inventories. In addition, the used car picture is brighter, Hufstader said with dealers in a better position to make trades for new cars because they were not overloaded with used cars.

## Elsewhere

Elsewhere in the industry, there were sporadic layoffs as mainly in General Motors—producers tried to bring output in balance with sales. Auto output during the first-quarter 1956 was 18 per cent below the year-ago level.

Elsewhere in brief: A Business Week survey last week showed that five oil companies were among the top biggest money-makers in 1955; heading the recent investor interest in petroleum stocks. General Motors, No. 1, showed a net profit—gain of 47.6 per cent over its 1954 earnings, followed by Standard Oil (N.J.), up 20.8 per cent. The second place in turn by Bell System, up 20.8 per cent; Ford Motor, up 11.8 per cent; E. I. du Pont de Nemours, up 25.3 per cent; United States Steel, up 89.4 per cent; Texas Co., up 10.2 per cent; Socony Mobil Oil, up 8.8 per cent; Standard Oil (Cal.), up 8.0 per cent; Gulf Oil, up 17.8 per cent.

One of the longest strikes in recent U.S. history was settled last week with the signing of an agreement between the United Westinghouse Electric Corp., 14th largest company in the nation. The five-month-long strike cost the company a loss of more than a million in shipments. It also incurred a new loss of more than 6,000,000 in the first quarter of 1956, just about \$1 a share, it was announced at the firm's annual meeting.

## 1956 Target

Meanwhile, the Company set its target for 1956 production and sales in nine months equivalent to a full year level. It planned to work overtime and shift assignments to 12-billion dollar project was believed to be in the offing. —United Press.

## Canada Recruiting Miners

Toronto, Apr. 8.

The Canadian Metal Mining Association is sending a representative to Britain and Europe to recruit miners, Mr. V. C. Wansbrough, the Association's Managing Director, announced.

The mining industry is facing a serious shortage of manpower in many parts of Canada which can be overcome only by a vigorous recruiting campaign, Mr. Wansbrough said.

The shortage, he added, "has been brought on by an unprecedented tempo of almost a mine-a-month coming into production," coupled with a drain on manpower to other types of industry.

Mr. William Ramsay, Chief Officer of the National Employment Service at Kitchener, Ontario, will leave for Britain, Northern Ireland, southern Germany and Austria.

Mr. Wansbrough said that once immigrants were found, details would be worked out for bringing them to Canada. They will be hired by Association members under the same conditions of employment and wages as those offered to domestic manpower. —China Mail Special.

## Jap-Austrian Steel Deal

Vienna, Apr. 8.

An agreement has been signed between the Nippon Steel Tube Company Limited and the Austrian Oesterreichische-Alpine Montan Gesellschaft, granting the Japanese group a general licence for Japan for the production of "oxygen" steel (blast-furnace), it has been announced here.

The agreement gives the Japanese group the right to build their own works in Japan and to grant licences to other works within Japan. The first such factory is to be built near Tokyo and the Austrian group are providing technical advice, drawings and specialists for putting up the factory. The technical director of the Austrian group is to travel to Japan in May to prepare the work.

The Oesterreichische-Alpine Montan Gesellschaft has also been appointed adviser to a second Japanese steel works. Factories on the Austrian pattern have already been built in the United States, Canada and France and West Germany is building one. Seven Japanese engineers are at present studying steel production methods in the Austrian works. —China Mail Special.

## The Bank Of England Statement

London, Apr. 8.

The Bank of England statement for the week ended April 4, reads as follows:

|                       |               |
|-----------------------|---------------|
| Note in circulation   | 1,822,376,000 |
| Public deposits       | 18,207,000    |
| Private deposits      | 26,377,000    |
| Government securities | 270,271,000   |
| Other securities      | 40,122,271    |
| Reserves              | 2,000,000     |
| Ratio                 | 7.7           |

—United Press.

## The Bank Of France Statement

Paris, Apr. 8.

The Bank of France statement for the week ended March 29, reads as follows:

|                           |                   |
|---------------------------|-------------------|
| Total gold holdings       | 397,324,000,000   |
| Private gold holdings     | 18,207,000,000    |
| Reserve balance abroad    | 179,117,000,000   |
| Advances to State         | 181,100,000,000   |
| Bank notes in circulation | 2,870,500,000,000 |
| Deposits                  | 124,297,000,000   |
| Total bills discounted    | 1,200,000,000,000 |

## Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local market at the following rates:

## GOLD SUBSIDY TO CONTINUE

Canberra, Apr. 8. The Federal Treasurer, Sir Arthur Fadden, has announced that the Government subsidy to the gold mining industry will be extended for another three years. The necessary legislation will be introduced "as soon as practicable."

The subsidy was established by the Gold Mining Industry Assistance Act, passed late in 1954, up to June 30 last year, the Government had authorized the payment to producers of sums totalling A\$21,039. Seventy-eight "small" producers shared A\$25,130 and five "large" producers shared A\$201,000.

The subsidy varies according to the cost of production, the formula providing for payment of three-quarters of the excess of average cost over A\$13 1/2 an ounce, with a maximum rate of A\$2 an ounce. —China Mail Special.

## HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately \$830,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

## SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES

|               |        |        |      |        |
|---------------|--------|--------|------|--------|
| BANKS         | 1050   | 1070   | 25   | 1665   |
| East Asia     | 220    |        |      |        |
| INSURANCES    |        |        |      |        |
| Union         | 900    |        | 40   | 50     |
| London        | 97     |        |      |        |
| Underwriters  |        |        |      |        |
| DOCKS, ETC.   |        |        |      |        |
| Doek          | 30     | 30 1/2 | 110  | 30 1/2 |
| Provident (O) | 13 1/2 | 13 1/2 | 1000 | 13 1/2 |
| Wharfedale    | 8 3/4  | 8 3/4  | 1000 | 8 3/4  |
|               |        |        | 2000 | 8 3/4  |
|               |        |        | 1000 | 8 3/4  |

## LAND, ETC.

|                  |       |        |       |        |
|------------------|-------|--------|-------|--------|
| HK Hotel         | 14    | 14 1/2 | 1000  | 14 1/2 |
| Land             | 61    | 17 1/2 | 3250  | 61     |
| RUBBER           |       |        |       |        |
| Latex            | 1.50  | 1.60   | 15000 | 1.55   |
| UTILITIES        |       |        |       |        |
| Trans            | 22.80 | 22.80  | 22.70 |        |
| Star Ferry       | 120   | 20     | 121   |        |
| Yau Ma Tei Ferry | 101   | 102    | 219   | 101    |
| C. Light (O)     | 22.40 |        | 310   | 22.20  |
| C. Light (N)     | 19.60 | 19.60  | 2000  | 19.60  |
|                  |       |        | 500   | 19.60  |
|                  |       |        | 100   | 19.60  |
| Electric         | 30    | 30 1/2 | 4000  | 30     |
|                  |       |        | 2000  | 30     |
|                  |       |        | 200   | 30     |
|                  |       |        | 70    | 18.90  |
|                  |       |        | 712   | 18     |

## INDUSTRIALS

|               |       |      |      |  |
|---------------|-------|------|------|--|
| Watson        | 11.20 |      |      |  |
| Cotton        | 5.20  | 5.20 | 5.40 |  |
| Textile Corp. | 5.20  | 5.20 | 5.40 |  |
| Nanyang       | 7.40  |      |      |  |
| LANE          | 10.00 |      |      |  |
| Yankee        | 0.45  | 0.60 |      |  |
| Allied        | 5     | 5.10 |      |  |

## NEW CHAIRMAN FOR BRITISH PETROLEUM

London, Apr. 8.

British Petroleum Company announced today that B.R. Jackson, Vice-Chairman and Managing Director of the Company, has become Chairman in succession to Lord Strathairn, formerly Sir William Fraser. —United Press.

## Proposals To Limit Cotton Imports

Hollywood, Florida, Apr. 8. Sen. Styles Bridges, Chairman of the Senate Republican Policy Committee, said today that there is "increasing sentiment for Congress to look long and seriously" at proposals to limit U.S. imports of cotton products through quotas and to seek to insure a "fair share" of the world market for U.S. goods.

Bridges told the American Cotton Manufacturers Institute that import quotas were a "relatively new approach to the problem of low-cost foreign competition."

Pointing to reports that the Japanese textile industry is considering establishing its own voluntary quotas, Bridges added "you can be sure that this proposal has them worried."

Bridges opposed U.S. participation in the Organization for Trade Co-operation (OTC) on the ground that U.S. trade policies would be transferred to an organization subject to the control of foreign government. The convention recommended that the U.S. Government establish an "equalization fee" on exports of cotton products and set "reasonable limitations" for imports of such products. —United Press.

## N.Y. Industrials Hit New All-Time High

By Joseph Michalski

New York, Apr. 8.

Industrials finished the week on the New York Stock Market at a new all-time high.

The market advanced in four out of the five trading sessions. Thursday was the only day that list moved downward. The selling on Thursday came on the heels of rumours that the Federal Reserve was going to raise the rediscount rate.

The rediscount rate is the interest charged member banks that borrow from the Federal Reserve System. Increasing the rate has the effect of raising the cost of borrowing.

Outside of the industrials, railroad shares finished the week within a shade of new highs since late 1929.

## Specialties Strong

Elsewhere, specialty issues were particularly strong. Chemicals, oils and a few high-priced issues were strong performers.

Market news continued highly favourable. Optimistic mood emanating from Washington, coupled with predictions that first quarter earnings reports will be good, gave the market a sound base.

Average industrial shares on the week rose 9.25 to 521.05; rails ended 0.24 to 171.58; utilities slipped 0.25 to 87.14; and general market average at 182.70 was up 1.55.

A few of the volatile oil shares tacked on substantial gains. Building issues also were strong.

Gulf Oil was the outstanding feature in the petroleum. It spurred 3 1/2 points to \$110. Socony Mobil tacked on a gain of 3/4 points to \$79 1/2. Standard Oil of Indiana jumped 5 points to \$107 1/2.

In the buildings, Johns-Manville stood out with a gain of 3/4 points to \$67 1/2. In the strong chemical section, Union Carbide ran up 3/4 points to \$131.

## Steels Gain

Motors had losses ranging to more than a point.

General Foods responded to 2-for-1 stock split. It spurred 8 points to \$100 1/2. Steel shares managed to post gains ranging to more than a point.

Of the 1,426 issues traded, 566 issues advanced, 706 declined and 185 held unchanged. New highs were registered by 191 stocks and 160 made new lows.

—United Press.

## SINGAPORE RUBBER MARKET

The market had a better tone on Saturday with sellers more reserved and there was some short covering. Futures:

|                      |       |               |
|----------------------|-------|---------------|
| No. 1 rubber per lb. | April | 80 1/2-81 1/2 |
|                      | May   | 80 1/2-81 1/2 |
| No. 2 rubber per lb. | April | 69 1/2-70 1/2 |
|                      | May   | 69 1/2-70 1/2 |
| No. 3 rubber per lb. | April | 68 1/2-69 1/2 |
|                      | May   | 68 1/2-69 1/2 |
| No. 4 rubber per lb. | April | 67 1/2-68 1/2 |
|                      | May   | 67 1/2-68 1/2 |
| No. 1 pale crepe     | April | 84 1/2-85 1/2 |
|                      | May   | 84 1/2-85 1/2 |



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